

MASON'S
DELICIOUS
O.K.
SAUCE.

Hongkong Daily Press

ESTABLISHED 1857

Registered as a Newspaper at the General
Post Office in the United Kingdom.

Qualified Optical
Service.

N. LAZARUS
OPHTHALMIC OPTICIAN
(HONGKONG'S ONLY EUROPEAN
OPTICIAN)
12, Queen's Road Central.
Manager: R. A. COOPER.
Sight Testing Optician by
Canadian Government Exami-
nation, Fellow of the American
Optometric Association.

No. 21,131

號壹拾叁百壹千壹萬貳第

日六拾月式年寅丙

HONGKONG, MONDAY, MARCH 29TH, 1926.

禮拜一

號九廿月叁年五十五國民華中

PRICE: \$3 PER MONTH.

INTIMATIONS
BOOTH'S
DRY GIN.
THE GIN IN THE
SQUARE BOTTLE.
ONCE TRIED, ALWAYS
ASKED FOR.
A REVELATION IN A
COCKTAIL.

SOLE AGENTS:
**CALDBECK,
MACGREGOR
& CO., LTD.**
(Incorporated under the Companies Ordinances
of Hongkong.)

SPORTING.
GUNS BY W. W. GREENER, WEMLEY
and SCOTT, and Other Makers—British,
French and American.
U.S.A. Air Rifles, and Miniature Rifles,
22 Calibre, Repeating and Automatic.
SPORTING CARTRIDGES of all des-
criptions.
Agents for W. W. GREENER, Ltd.,
BIRMINGHAM.

**HONGKONG SPORTING ARMS
AND AMMUNITION STORE,**
6, BRADFORD ARCADE. 180

**THE OCEAN ACCIDENT AND
GUARANTEE CORPORATION
LIMITED.**

Issue Policies Covering
"ACCIDENT AND ILLNESS
MOTOR CAR AND CYCLES
BAGGAGE (ALL RISKS)
PUBLIC LIABILITY
(GENERAL THIRD PARTY)
URGLABY, ETC.
Agents:
GILMAN & Co., Ltd.,
44, Des Voeux Road.
Telephone No. C. 290. 184

RUSSO-ASIATIC BANK.
Capital (FULLY PAID) \$5,000,000
Reserve Fund \$2,900,000
CAPITAL CONTRIBUTED BY THE
CHINESE GOVERNMENT 3,500,000
Reserve Fund 1,750,000

HEAD OFFICE:
Paris: 9, Rue Soudreau.
LONDON OFFICE:
64, Old Broad Street, E.C.2.

BANKERS:
LONDON: Messrs. Glyn, Mills, Currie &
Co., Societe Generale pour Favoriser
le Developpement du Commerce et de
l'Industrie en France.
PARIS: Societe Generale pour Favoriser
le Developpement du Commerce et de
l'Industrie en France; Banque de Paris
et des Pays-Bas.
HONGKONG: Societe Generale pour Favoriser
le Developpement du Commerce et de
l'Industrie en France.
NEW YORK: The Irving Bank; Columbia
Trust Company.
SAN FRANCISCO: The Crocker National
Bank of San Francisco.

BRANCHES IN ASIA:
Changhai, Hankow, Manchouli, Tientsin,
Cebu, Harbin, Newchwang, Urumtschi,
Dairen, Hongkong, Peking, Yokohama,
Hailar, Kalgan, Shanghai.

HONGKONG BRANCH:
Interest allowed on Current Accounts
and Fixed Deposits. Terms on applica-
tion. Local Bills discounted.
Foreign Exchange on the Principal
Cities of the World bought and sold.
L. BAINES,
Manager.

KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY. TIME-TABLE. WEEK DAYS

	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Kowloon...Dep.	6.40	8.15	10.30	12.00	1.15	4.35	5.30	7.10
Yauwatt...Dep.	6.50	8.25	10.39	12.09	1.24	4.45	5.39	7.19
Shatin...Dep.	7.00	8.35	10.51	12.21	1.34	4.55	5.49	7.29
Taipei...Dep.	7.10	8.45	11.01	12.31	1.44	5.05	5.59	7.39
Taipei Market...Dep.	7.20	8.55	11.11	12.41	1.54	5.15	6.09	7.49
Fanning...Dep.	7.30	9.05	11.21	12.51	2.04	5.25	6.19	7.59
Shungshui...Dep.	7.40	9.15	11.31	13.01	2.14	5.35	6.29	8.09
Shamshui...Dep.	7.50	9.25	11.41	13.11	2.24	5.45	6.39	8.19

	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Shamshui...Dep.	7.50	9.25	11.41	13.11	2.24	5.45	6.39	8.19
Shungshui...Dep.	8.00	9.35	11.51	13.21	2.34	5.55	6.49	8.29
Fanning...Dep.	8.10	9.45	12.01	13.31	2.44	6.05	6.59	8.39
Taipei Market...Dep.	8.20	9.55	12.11	13.41	2.54	6.15	7.09	8.49
Taipei...Dep.	8.30	10.05	12.21	13.51	3.04	6.25	7.19	8.59
Shatin...Dep.	8.40	10.15	12.31	14.01	3.14	6.35	7.29	9.09
Yauwatt...Dep.	8.50	10.25	12.41	14.11	3.24	6.45	7.39	9.19
Kowloon...Dep.	9.00	10.35	12.51	14.21	3.34	6.55	7.49	9.29

	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Kowloon...Dep.	6.40	8.15	10.30	12.00	1.15	4.35	5.30	7.10
Yauwatt...Dep.	6.50	8.25	10.39	12.09	1.24	4.45	5.39	7.19
Shatin...Dep.	7.00	8.35	10.51	12.21	1.34	4.55	5.49	7.29
Taipei...Dep.	7.10	8.45	11.01	12.31	1.44	5.05	5.59	7.39
Taipei Market...Dep.	7.20	8.55	11.11	12.41	1.54	5.15	6.09	7.49
Fanning...Dep.	7.30	9.05	11.21	12.51	2.04	5.25	6.19	7.59
Shungshui...Dep.	7.40	9.15	11.31	13.01	2.14	5.35	6.29	8.09
Shamshui...Dep.	7.50	9.25	11.41	13.11	2.24	5.45	6.39	8.19

	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Shamshui...Dep.	7.50	9.25	11.41	13.11	2.24	5.45	6.39	8.19
Shungshui...Dep.	8.00	9.35	11.51	13.21	2.34	5.55	6.49	8.29
Fanning...Dep.	8.10	9.45	12.01	13.31	2.44	6.05	6.59	8.39
Taipei Market...Dep.	8.20	9.55	12.11	13.41	2.54	6.15	7.09	8.49
Taipei...Dep.	8.30	10.05	12.21	13.51	3.04	6.25	7.19	8.59
Shatin...Dep.	8.40	10.15	12.31	14.01	3.14	6.35	7.29	9.09
Yauwatt...Dep.	8.50	10.25	12.41	14.11	3.24	6.45	7.39	9.19
Kowloon...Dep.	9.00	10.35	12.51	14.21	3.34	6.55	7.49	9.29

SHA TAU KOK BRANCH.
TEMPORARILY CLOSED.
H. P. WINELOW, Manager.

THE STANDARD LIFE ASSURANCE CO.
Assurance by Monthly Payments. Benefits of Life Assurance brought within
reach of those to whom the payment of a large sum yearly, half-yearly or
quarterly may be an inconvenience.
Liberal conditions as to Loan, Surrender, and Paid-up Policy Value.
Apply to
DODWELL & CO., LTD.,
AGENTS,
2, QUEEN'S BUILDING.

CAMMELL LAIRD & Co., Ltd.
Controlling THE LEEDS FORGE CO., NEWLAY WHEEL CO., Etc.
Birkenhead, Sheffield, Nottingham, Birmingham,
Leeds, Fenslstone and London.
RAILWAY PASSENGER COACHES
FREIGHT & COAL CARS
STEAM DRIVEN RAIL COACHES
"NEWLAY" SOLID ROLLED STEEL RAILWAY WHEELS.
13, PEKING ROAD, SHANGHAI. 84

REPULSE BAY HOTEL
CARNIVAL
on Saturday, 10th April, 1926.
DINNER \$4 per head
(FANCY OR EVENING DRESS OPTIONAL)
Late Bus to the Peak Hotel—12.15 a.m.
Special Bus to the Hongkong Hotel—12.30 a.m.
TABLES FOR ABOVE MAY NOW BE BOOKED AT THE
HONGKONG or REPULSE BAY HOTELS.
Telephones: C. 2581 & C. 776.
THE HONGKONG & SHANGHAI HOTELS, LTD.

HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMERS.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMSHIP
CO., LTD., AND THE CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

CANTON LINE.
Sailings from Hongkong: Daily, at 8 A.M. (Sundays excepted).
Sailings from Canton: Daily, at 8 A.M. (Mondays excepted).
MACAO LINE.
FROM HONGKONG: 8 A.M. and 4 P.M. daily.
(Sundays: 9 A.M. only).
FROM MACAO: 8 A.M. and 2 P.M. daily.
(Sundays: 4 P.M. only).

"BERTHE MORISOT" By Ar- \$3.50
mand Fourreau. Translated by H. Wellington. With 40
illustrations. The latest addition to The
Masters of Modern Art Series.
"ROYAL THROUGH SOUTH-
ERN CHINA." By H. A. \$14.50
Frank. Illustrated with 171 unusual photographs
by the author with a map showing his
route.
"HUMAN SHOWS, FAR FAN-
TASIES, SONGS AND
TRIFLES." By Thomas Hardy \$5.25
"WE MODERNS." By Iarjel \$4.20
A comedy in three movements.
"QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS
FOR B.O.T. EXAMINA-
TIONS ON MARINE OIL
ENGINES." By W. C. Mac-
gibbon, M.M.I.C.E. \$5.25
Diesel, Semi-Diesel, Petrol, Paraffin.
"ACROSS UNKNOWN AUS-
TRALIA." By M. Terry, \$10.50
F.R.G.S. A thrilling account of exploration in the
northern territory of Australia.
"WEBSTER'S COLLEGIATE
DICTIONARY WITH
ENGLISH TRANSLATION." \$25.00
KELLY & WALSH, LTD.
THE BOOKSHOP.
CHATER ROAD.

**THE BANK OF EAST ASIA,
LIMITED.**
HEAD OFFICE: HONGKONG.
10, Des Voeux Road Central, Hongkong.
AUTHORIZED CAPITAL.....\$10,000,000.
PAID-UP CAPITAL.....5,000,000.
RESERVE FUND (1925).....1,200,000.
DIRECTORS:
Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow, Chairman.
Fung Ping Shan, Mok Chung Kong,
Li Koon Chun, Wong Yee Tong,
P. K. Kwok, Hui Yee Tai,
Ng Ching I, Kan Ying Po,
Pong Wai I, Chan Ching Shek.
Every description of Banking and Ex-
change business transacted. Loans grant-
ed on approved securities.
Says Deposit Boxes To Let.
Kai Tong Po,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 26th February, 1926.

**THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK,
LIMITED.**
Capital (fully paid-up) Yen 100,000,000
Reserve Fund Yen 86,500,000
HEAD OFFICE: YOKOHAMA.
BRANCHES AND AGENTS AT:
Batavia, Karachi, Saigon,
Bombay, Kobe, Singapore,
Buenos Ayres, London, San Francisco,
Calcutta, Lyons, Seattle,
Canton, Los Angeles, Semarang,
Changhai, Manila, Shanghai,
Dairen (Dairen), Nagasaki, Singapore,
Fungtong, Nagoya, Shimoda,
(Munkin), Newchwang, Sydney,
Hankow, Osaka, Tientsin,
Hankow, New York, Tokyo,
Harbin, Peking, Tientsin,
Honolulu, Rio de Janeiro, Vladivostok,
Kai Yuen, Yokohama.
Interest allowed on Current Accounts.
Deposits received for Fixed Periods at
rates to be obtained on application.
O. ARIMA, Manager.
Hongkong, 11th March, 1926. 126

OVER HALF A CENTURY REPUTATION
FOR THE
DR. LE CLERC'S PILLS FOR
LIVER AND BOWEL
DISORDERS. Sufferers from
Constipation, Indigestion, Headaches,
Pain in the Back, Stomach, or Bowels,
or any of the above, will find
Dr. Le Clerc's Pills a most
valuable remedy. They are
entirely harmless and
do not produce any
dependence. They are
sold everywhere.
DR. LE CLERC'S PILLS FOR
LIVER AND BOWEL
DISORDERS. Sufferers from
Constipation, Indigestion, Headaches,
Pain in the Back, Stomach, or Bowels,
or any of the above, will find
Dr. Le Clerc's Pills a most
valuable remedy. They are
entirely harmless and
do not produce any
dependence. They are
sold everywhere.

HOTELS
THE
HONGKONG
HONGKONG HOTEL; REPULSE BAY HOTEL.
PRAX HOTEL.
Telegraphic Address:
"KREMLIN, HONGKONG."
AND
SHANGHAI
Astor House Hotel; PALACE HOTEL.
KALIN HOTEL; MAJESTIC HOTEL.
Telegraphic Address:
"CENTRAL, SHANGHAI."

**HOTELS
LIMITED.**
In association with the GRAND HOTEL DES
WAGONS LITS P.A.C.
**KING EDWARD
HOTEL.**
CENTRAL LOCATION.
Electric Lifts and Lighting.
Telephones on each floor.
Hotel Launch meets all Steamers.
Telephone: Central No. 373.
Tel. Address: VICTORIA.
431
J. WITCHELL,
Manager.

PALACE HOTEL.
Tel. Kowloon No. 2. Tel. Ad. "PALACE."
Three Minutes from Kowloon Wharf, Ferry
Wharf and Railway Station.
Entirely under English Management.
Electric Light and Fans Throughout.
EVERY ROOM WITH PRIVATE BATH.
Lounge, Bar and Billiard Rooms. Unrivalled
Cuisine under the personal supervision of
the Proprietress.
TERMS MODERATE.
Special Terms to Families on application to—
Mrs. J. H. O'BERRY,
Proprietress.
441
The Only Hotel in CANTON.
Directly under European
Management.

THE VICTORIA HOTEL
Guides
and Trips
arranged for
and Special Cars
taken of TOURISTS.
Cable Address: "VICTORIA."
141

GUENEALY HOTEL
3 AND 4, GUENEALY, HONGKONG.
Tel. Ad. "GUENEALY," HONGKONG.
Telephone: C. 980.
New Private Hotel opening beginning of
April, 1926.
A First-class Residential and Tourist Hotel.
Splendidly situated within easy walking dis-
tance of all business centres.
Large Airy Rooms. Hot and Cold Water.
Excellent cuisine under the personal Super-
vision of the Proprietress.
Monthly and Family Rates at Moderate
Terms.
For particulars apply—Mrs. FREDERICKS
at "ROSEATE," Kowloon; Tel. K. 551 until
April 1st, 1926. 112

DEERRINGTON.
HIGH CLASS PRIVATE HOTEL
8, PRAX ROAD. Tel. Central 4464.
303

**HONGKONG WEEKLY
PRESS.**
(CONTAINING ALL THE WEEK'S
LOCAL NEWS
"The Pace" "To head Home")

A REAL DRINK
"BOAR'S HEAD" BRAND

STOUT

A WORLD-WIDE REPUTATION.

SOLE AGENTS:
GANDE, PRICE & CO., LTD.St. George's Building, Ice House Street,
HONGKONG.WE CLEAN
FURS.

Carefully, thoroughly and at very moderate charges. The finest of FURS lose their beauty unless properly cared for, but well-treated they may be made to last for a long while, retaining their lustre and charm.

SEND TO THE MODERN
DRYCLEANERS.

THE STEAM LAUNDRY CO.

HEAD OFFICE & WORKS: Mongkok, Tel. K. 32.
HONGKONG DEPOT: 18, Stanley St., Tel. C. 1279.
KOWLOON HOTEL DEPOT.
KOWLOON DEPOT: 19, Canton Road.
HONGKONG HOTEL (Visitors only).
PEAK HOTEL.

Write or Phone for Complete Price List.

PERFUMERY

Manufactured by
RIGAUD, PARIS.

AIR
EMERALD
MAY GARDEN
ROSE SHIRAZ
DOLCE VITA
LILAS RIGAUD

Obtainable from

VICENTE ATIENZA & Co.,
No. 54, Nathan Rd., Kowloon, Tel. K. 155

The tonic food for all the family is

"KEPLER"

Cod Liver Oil with Malt Extract

To busy adults it gives health, increased strength and vitality. To children it supplies the body-building elements necessary to bring them to healthy maturity.



"HAZELINE" SNOW
(Trade Mark)
Preserves and brightens the complexion.
In glass pots

At all Chemists and Druggists.
BURROUGHS WELLCOME & CO.
LONDON AND SHANGHAI

FOOTBALL.

FINALISTS IN THE HONGKONG
F.A. CHALLENGE SHIELD.

Saturday's games resulted as under:

HONGKONG F.A. CHALLENGE SHIELD.

East Surreys 4 Club de Recreo 3

Kowloon 3 Hongkong Police 1

HONGKONG LEAGUE.

Division II. "A."

South China "A" 0 E. Surreys' Drums 0

Division II. "B."

South China "C" 1 St. Joseph's Res. 0

EAST SURREYS v. CLUB DE
RECREO.

After being two goals down at the

interval, the East Surreys scored four

times in the second half, without any

response by the Club de Recreo and

qualified by four goals to two to meet

Kowloon in the final of the Competition.

During the game, Ogley, the back of

the Club de Recreo was ordered off

the field by the referee after having been

previously cautioned by that official. At

the time of the incident, the score was

two goals all with the East Surreys

having much the better of the game.

The Club de Recreo opened well, and

early in the game, a shot from Gosano

had Douglas beaten but the ball after

striking the crossbar dropped just clear

of the goal line and Douglas cleared.

Xavier and Ogley worried the East

Surreys' attack, the forwards shooting

from long range. Rocha opened the score

for the Recreo after about twenty

minutes' play. Bristow, standing on

the line to throw in, was pulled up, and

A. H. Remedios sent to Gosano from the

free kick; the Recreo sent forward to

Fuertes who lobbed back in the goal-

mouth and Rocha easily beat Douglas

with a well placed shot. Free kicks

against both sides were hereabout frequent.

A header from Cheeseman found

the Recreo goalkeeper in position, while

at the other end Jordan turned to touch

to stop Fuertes. Free kick against

Brown for jumping was cleared and

Douglas in attempting to clear from a

centre by Fuertes fell and Cooper

cleared. Ogley was cautioned for dan-

gerous play and the Surreys awarded a free

kick. Fernandez stopped a shot from

Bristow and Jordan cleared from a free

kick. Butler was high and McGreavy

wide with long range shots. Butler had

an open goal but failed, the ball rolling

over the line near the post. The game

was very fast and of the cup tie order,

accurate shooting being sacrificed to pot

chance shots. The Recreo went further

ahead when Brown beat the defence.

Douglas being in two minds attempted to

come out and then tried to get back, but

before he could recover Brown had sent

the ball into the net, putting the Club

two up. The Recreo forwards were

showing the better combination and at

the interval were leading by two goals to

nil.

After the change of ends the East

Surreys had most of the game. Although

their first goal was rather a lucky one,

Humberstone deserves credit for taking

the chance he did, for with his back to

the goal he received from Cheeseman

and turning with the ball at his toe sent

it into the net. With this success

the Surreys returned to the attack and

within the next five minutes the ball was

again in the net. Fernandez was stand-

ing a yard out of goal when Butler sent

in a hard drive and the ball striking

the underside of the bar dropped on to

the goalkeeper and rebounded into the

net, making the scores two goals all. It

was just afterwards that Ogley received

marching orders. With four forwards

only, Silva having dropped back to partner

Xavier, the Recreo attack fell off,

Gosano being carefully watched by

MacGreavy. Humberstone was unlucky

to lose a point running through the de-

The score was unchanged when the final whistle sounded the Surreys winning by four goals to two, and will now meet Kowloon on April 10th in the final.

The game was fast throughout, the Surreys lasting the better over the long distance. The Recreo were unfortunate in losing Ogley early in the second half.

East Surreys—Douglas, Cooper and Jordan; Kidd, MacGreavy and Bristow; Charlesworth, Cheeseman, Humberstone, Butler and Macklesworth.

Club de Recreo—Fernandez, Ogley and Xavier; A. H. Remedios, A. A. Remedios and A. Remedios; Fuertes, Silva, Gosano, Rocha and Brown.

Referee: Mr. Atkinson. Linesmen—Messrs. McCubbin and Morlett.

KOWLOON v. POLICE

On the Garrison ground, Kowloon qualified to meet the East Surreys in the Challenge Shield Competition by their win over the Police by three goals to one.

A goal from a penalty and a miss were outstanding in the game. Kowloon were without Wheeler at back and Taylor on the right wing, their places being taken by Guest and Millard respectively. Hudson, contrary to expectations, turned out at centre half for the Police, but towards the close found the pace too much for him.

The game opened with the Police attacking, and after Avery had cleared from Hudson, Kowloon took up the attack and forced a corner. During the scramble that ensued following the flag kick, Brittain, recovering from a stumble, handled in the penalty area and Simms opened the score for Kowloon with a well-placed shot from the spot. From the centre the Police took up the attack and for a time Kowloon were on the defensive. A long shot by Randle found Avery guessing, for the goalkeeper turned the ball against the crossbar and it rebounded just in front of the goal line, Avery eventually clearing. Avery cleared from Oram and a free kick against Spary was sent in wide by Oram. Play was now more even and Clarke was prominent in goal. At the other end several good openings made by Hudson went begging, the Police forwards failing to put on the finishing touches.

Clarke saved at full length from Simms and before he could recover Pasco returned the ball and Spary turned it into the net with Harle standing on the goal line. At the interval Kowloon were leading by two clear goals.

On the restart Kowloon went down and tested Clarke but the goalie was safe. The Police forwards failed to turn to account several good openings made by their middle line. During a raid by the Police, Johnson was fouled by Read inside the penalty area, but Hudson failed to get the ball past Avery. It rebounded off the goalkeeper for a corner, Cornwall sending behind from the flag kick. McEwen had a good opening to reduce the lead but shot wide. Johnson also failed before an open goal. Hayes running round Wynne sent over from the touch line and Simms meeting the ball sent into the net making the score three to nil in favour of Kowloon.

Before the final whistle sounded the Police were awarded a free kick close in and McEwen beat Avery with a well placed shot. The final came with Kowloon leading by three goals to one.

The ground was very dangerous from the playing point of view, accurate football being out of the question. On the run of the game Kowloon deserve their win.

SOUTH CHINA "A" v. EAST
SURREYS' DRUMS.

By failing to convert from a penalty, the Surreys Drums had to be content with one point only in their game with South China "A" on the Garrison ground at Bookunpoo. A win for the Drums would still have left the Reserves equal with South China for the runners-up position in the "A" division of the junior league.

The championship of this division will now be left to the last game when South China "A" meet the Club de Recreo "A." South China requiring one point only to give them that position. Crockett was outstanding in the Drums goal in this match, but unfortunately was injured in practically the last kick of the game. Hutchins was given the chance to win the game following a penalty given against Lo Wai Man but sent the ball among the crowd of Chinese near the goal post. Just on time Lay Hau almost won the game for South China, sending in a shot with Crockett helpless, but Parker cleared, the game ending in a goalless draw.

SOUTH CHINA "C" v. ST.
JOSEPH'S RESERVES.

By scoring in the last minute of the game, South China gained a victory over the College Reserves and now displace the University from the second position in the league table. South China are within a point of the leaders with three games in hand.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LTD.

Best Portland Cement.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.

GENERAL MANAGERS,
HONGKONG.

THE WORLD'S GAZE

POLITICALLY. ECONOMICALLY. ARTISTICALLY.

JAPAN

Oriental charms are jealously preserved intact amidst the most advanced Oriental Civilization.

Minimum Rates for Single Rooms, Meals included, are as shown besides Hotel Names.

IN JAPAN			
CHUJENJI (Nikko)	— KYOTO —	NAGASAKI	— SHIMONOSEKI —
— LUXURIOUS HOTEL (Y10).	— KYOTO HOTEL (Y18).	JAPAN HOTEL (Y8).	SANTO HOTEL (Y10).
KAMAKURA	— MIYAKO HOTEL (Y10).	NAGOYA	— TOKYO
— KAIEN HOTEL (Y12).	MATSUMOTO	NARITA HOTEL (Y12).	— IMPERIAL HOTEL
KARUIZAWA	— PARK HOTEL (Y11).	NARA	— (Room Only Y. 8).
— MARUYAMA HOTEL (Y10).	MIYAJIMA	NARA HOTEL (Y9).	OMORI HOTEL (Y. 8).
— MIYAKO HOTEL (Y10).	— MIYAKO HOTEL (Y12).	NIKKO	TOKYO STATION
KOBE	— MIYANOSHITA	— KANAYA HOTEL (Y11).	HOTEL (Y9.50)
— CENTRAL HOTEL (Y12).	(Hakone)	Niigo Hotel (Y11).	— TWENTY SEVENTH
TOKYO HOTEL	— FUJITA HOTEL (Y12).	OSAKA	HOTEL (Y10)
		— ONAGA HOTEL (Y14)	
IN TAIWAN (FORMOSA) —			
TAIPEI	— TAIWAN RAILWAY HOTEL (Y10).		
IN CHINA			
KEIJO	— SHINGISHU —	— CHANGCHUN —	— ROTEN (Mukden) —
— CHONG HONG (Y9).	SHINGISHU HOTEL (Y8).	— YAMATO HOTEL (Y8).	YAMATO HOTEL
PUSAN	— HOTEL (Y8).	— YAMATO HOTEL (Y8.50)	— RYOJUN (Poot
— FUJITA HOTEL (Y8).		— BOSSIGAUER	— YAMATO HOTEL (Y8).

For information, please apply to Secretary,
THE JAPAN HOTEL ASSOCIATION,
Care Traffic Bureau Department of Railways, Tokyo

SOUTH MANCHURIA RAILWAY

SUMMER HOLIDAY
RESORTSIN
SOUTH MANCHURIA

HOSHIGAUER.—Finest Seaside Summer Holiday-Resort in North China. Five miles from Dairen, but connected with the city by special motor and carriage road and electric tramway. Yamato Hotel (35 rooms) and 18 furnished bungalows in charming old gardens. Bathing, Boating, Fishing, Golf, Tennis, Billiards, Orchestra twice a week. Capital place for children.

OGONDAI.—Most beautiful and select Seaside Resort in the Far East. Two miles from Port Arthur. Formerly the Summer Resort of the high Russian officers and officials. Yamato Hotel and 30 villas and bungalows, mostly with detached porches and quarters. Excellent Bathing, Wonderful Scenery, Historic Battlefields, Ruined and Dismantled Forts Miles of charming Walks and Drives. Abundant Pleasuring Facilities. Orchestra twice a week. Best place for high-class families.

PORT ARTHUR.—Famous for its two memorable Sieges and its beautiful landlocked Harbour. Exactly one hour's journey from Dairen by express train. Yamato Hotel (18 rooms). Excellent place of historical and scenic interest to all a month with fresh walk or drive every day. Most healthy and salubrious spot in the Far East.

All under the direct management of the SOUTH MANCHURIA RAILWAY CO.
Illustrated Booklets and all Information post free on request.

Applications may be sent to the Hotel Managers at the various resorts or to
THE SUPERINTENDENT OF HOTELS, Traffic Department
Cable Add.: MANCHU or SUICHU. SOUTH MANCHURIA RAILWAY, Dairen
Orders: A.B.C. 6th & 6th Ed., Al. Lisher's and Bentley's.

ASAHI BEER

SPECIALLY BREWED FOR EXPORT

DAI NIPPON BREWERY CO.

LIMITED.

TOKYO JAPAN

SOLE AGENTS:

MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA LTD.

(HONGKONG)

WITHOUT PURE BLOOD HEALTH IS IMPOSSIBLE.

VETARZO BLOOD
MEDICINE

Never before was there anything like it, nor are the marvellous properties likely ever to be equalled in diseases arising from impure blood. It searches out and expels from the vital current every lurking trace of poisonous matter, curing blood and skin diseases, scrofulous and glandular swellings, bad leg, phlebotomy, ulcers, eczema, psoriasis, tinea, gonitis or Diphtheria Neck, etc. It improves the general health and quickly removes long-standing bronchitis, asthma and hacking, straining, spasmodic cough, too often the precursor of consumption.

LIFE WITHOUT HEALTH IS LIVING DEATH.

VETARZO BRAIN AND NERVE FOOD.

For Nervous Breakdown and Neuritis Weakness.

VETARZO REGULATORS. Safe and Reliable.

English Price 3s. (either remedy). The VETARZO REMEDIES CO., Gospel Oak, N.W.5, London, Eng. Unimpaired Credit may be given to all your favourite shops or chemists—don't forget it. Insist on having VETARZO. The genuine has words VETARZO REMEDIES on Government Stamp. Sold by Leading Cash Chemists.

FOR INFORMATION OF THE PUBLIC
THE VETARZO REMEDIES CO. LTD.
GOSPEL OAK, N.W.5, LONDON, ENGLAND.
UNIMPAIRED CREDIT MAY BE GIVEN TO ALL YOUR FAVORITE SHOPS OR CHEMISTS—DON'T FORGET IT. INSIST ON HAVING VETARZO. THE GENUINE HAS WORDS VETARZO REMEDIES ON GOVERNMENT STAMP. SOLD BY LEADING CASH CHEMISTS.

Foamite Firefoam

THE MOST EFFECTIVE FIRE
EXTINGUISHER.

SOLE AGENTS FOR HONGKONG AND SOUTH CHINA.

THE UNITED ASBESTOS ORIENTAL AGENCY, LTD.

Tel. Central 236.

2, Queen's Buildings.

ANCHOR BRAND PURE MANILA ROPE.

"THE CORDAGE YOU CAN TRUST."

ESTABLISHED 1854

MARINE ROPE

TRANSMISSION
OF POWER ROPE

CABLE LAID
RAWBERRIES

WELL DRILLING
CABLES

ROPE OF ALL
SIZES FOR ALL
PURPOSES

MADE FROM
PURE MANILA
HEMP

MANUFACTURED
BY THE MOST
MODERN
MACHINERY.

YNCHAUSTI ROPE FACTORY

MANILA

STOCKS ON HAND OF ALL SIZES ENQUIRIES SOLICITED.

FACTORIES:—MANILA, P.I.
HONGKONG OFFICE:—KING'S BUILDING.
TELEPHONE CENTRAL 3155.

THE WARM WEATHER IS HERE.

GAS FOR COOKING AND BATHS.
SAVES TROUBLE. SAVES TIME. SAVES DIRT.

All the latest Gas appliances can be inspected
at the Hongkong and China Gas Co.'s showrooms,
26, Des Vœux Road Central and West Point.

A.P.B.

SOUTH CHINA KNITTING FACTORY.

The most up-to-date Knitting Factory in South China,
has recently installed 20 new Knitting Machines
and is now manufacturing

MERCERISED SOCKS

and

COTTON SOCKS

of the Highest Grade.

Enquiries invited from Wholesale and Export Firms
interested in a class of goods which are rapidly acquiring
a World-wide reputation for
Quality and Dependability.

Office and Factory
Cable Address

Mongkok, Kowloon Tel. K.533
Souchikmit Hongkong

A.P.B.

Seltona

The ideal daylight printing medium—gives
fine sepia tones by fixing only. Send a post-
card for free illustrated booklet. "Perfect
Prints on Seltona."

SOLE MANUFACTURERS
WELLINGTON & WARD, LTD.,
LONDON.

SOLE AGENTS FOR CHINA:
ALLEN & HANBURY, LTD.,
40, CANTON ROAD, SHANGHAI.

COMPANY MEETING.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

UNEFAVOURABLE REPORT COM- PARED WITH PREVIOUS YEARS.

The forty-first annual ordinary general meeting of A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd. (since its registration), was held at the Hongkong Hotel, on Saturday, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended October 31st, 1925.

Mr. Henry Humphreys was in the chair, and there were also present Messrs. J. Scott Harston and H. P. White (directors), Mr. J. A. Tarrant (secretary) and the following shareholders:—Messrs. J. D. Humphreys, L. S. Greenhill, J. M. Alves, D. E. Clark, H. Ruttenberg, D. Wilson, F. W. Stapleton, W. Morley, G. W. Sewell and J. M. Wong.

CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH.

The Secretary having read the notice convening the meeting.

The CHAIRMAN said: Gentlemen,—The Report and Statement of Accounts and Auditors' Report having been in your hands for the prescribed period, I will, with your permission, adopt the usual procedure and take them as read.

I regret that I have to come before you with a report that compares unfavourably with those you have been accustomed to receive for several years past. No blame can be attached to the management or heads of departments for this. You are all fully aware of the adverse conditions that have prevailed during part of the period under review, and taking same into consideration, I do not think the accounts can be considered unsatisfactory. In this connection, I would like to quote a paragraph from the speech of the Chairman, Mr. Brooke Smith, at the last annual meeting of shareholders of the Ewo Cotton Mills.

"The folly of boycotting such a concern as ours should be, but apparently is not, patent to the meanest intelligence. The bulk of the shareholders are Chinese, we employ thousands of Chinese workers to whom we pay \$1,600,000 annually in wages. The four months stoppage cost these workers alone over \$500,000."

His remarks apply, in a greater or lesser degree, to ourselves and other industrial and public utility companies in Hongkong and Shanghai.

Turning to the accounts, you will notice under the heading of Land at Honam, Canton, that \$101,115.87 has been expended during the year, entirely on the new factory building and wharf there. Work ceased on June 20th last, on account of the strike, and has not been resumed. The increase in the item Steam Launch, Motor Trucks, etc., is due mainly to the addition of four new motor trucks for the more convenient and expeditious handling of our local aerated water trade. As usual, liberal amounts have been written off for depreciation of plant and machinery, launches, etc., although these items have all been maintained in the highest state of efficiency and repair. In view of the prevailing conditions, every economy consistent with efficiency has been observed. Sundry debtors show a very large increase. This is because our auditors wished us to include what we have hitherto shown under the heading of "Good Debts" due from Customers under this item. The auditors also wished us to separate overdraft at the Hongkong & Shanghai Bank from local and general liabilities. This we have done which accounts in large measure for the large decrease in local and general liabilities.

It is proposed to allocate from Profits the sum of \$20,000 for "Contingency Account." This is to provide against possible unforeseen losses at Canton. The Manager of the Company's Canton Branch is of opinion that the probable losses will not amount to nearly so much. However, the General Managers and Directors consider it advisable to provide for such a contingency.

We regret that on this occasion we are unable to recommend any allocation from Profits for the benefit of the Staff Provident Fund or the Chinese Staff Superannuation Fund.

I have no further remarks to make. Gentlemen, and now propose that the report and statement of accounts as presented be passed. When the motion is duly seconded, I shall be pleased to answer any questions shareholders may have to ask.

Mr. L. S. GREENHILL seconded the motion, and there being no questions, the report and statement of accounts as presented were passed.

OTHER BUSINESS.

On the proposition of the CHAIRMAN, seconded by Mr. H. RUTTENBERG, the Hon. Sir C. P. Chater, C.M.G., LL.D., Mr. J. Scott Harston and Mr. H. P. White were re-elected to the Board of Directors.

On the proposition of Mr. W. MORLEY, seconded by Mr. F. W. STAPLETON, Mr. C. Bernard Brown, A.C.A., and Mr. H. Greenwood, A.C.A., were re-elected as auditors at a remuneration of \$700 each per annum.

(Continued at foot of next column.)

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

MARCH 27th, 1926.

Hongkong Bank	11,050 ea.
Do. London	212 1/2 nom.
Chartered Bank	23 1/2 nom.
Maritime Bank, A. & B.	230 buy.
Do. C.	219 1/2 buy.
P. & O. Bank	23 1/2 nom.
East Asia Bank	77 1/2 buy.
Canton Insurance	220 buy.
China Underwriters	11 1/2 buy.
North China Insurance	11 1/2 nom.
Union Insurance	220 ea.
Yangtze Insurance	244 nom.
China Fire Insurance	11 1/2 buy.
Hongkong Fire Insurance	240 x. div. buy.
Donghai	239 buy.
H.K. & S. Steamships	24 1/2 buy.
Hongkong Tram	23 1/2 nom.
Indo-China (Prod.)	23 nom.
Do. (Def.)	240 nom.
Shell Transport	27 1/2 buy.
Star Lines	268 buy.
Waterworks	116 nom.
Oriental Navigation	230 nom.
China Sugars	27 sel.
Malacca Sugars	235 nom.
Engkau	21 1/2 nom.
Kuala Lumpur	24 1/2 buy.
Langkate (combined)	11 1/2 buy.
Do. (single)	11 1/2 buy.
Shanghai Explorations	11 1/2 sel.
Shanghai Loans	11 1/2 nom.
Banque	25 buy.
Tromps Mines	61 1/2 buy.
Ural Caspian	87 nom.
H.K. & S. Wharves	119 1/2 buy.
H.K. & W. Docks	263 nom.
Hongkong Dock	162 1/2 buy.
New Engineering	11 1/2 buy.
Shanghai Dock	11 1/2 buy.
H.K. & S. Hotels	24 1/2 buy, 10 ea.
Hongkong Land	264 buy, & ea.
Hongkong Realty (a.p.)	24 sel.
H.K. Territorials (a.p.)	24 sel.
Humphreys Estates	114 buy.
Prince's Buildings	110 nom.
Rural Lands	27 nom.
Two Cottons	11 1/2 buy.
Oriental	11 1/2 nom.
Shanghai Cottons (old)	11 1/2 buy.
Do. (new)	11 1/2 buy.
Amusements	11 1/2 buy.
Canton Ice	27 nom.
Comments (combined)	11 1/2 buy, 15 ea.
Do. (old)	212 1/2 buy.
Do. (new)	212 1/2 buy.
China Bases	11 1/2 buy.
China Lights (combined)	21 1/2 nom.
Do. (old)	21 1/2 buy.
Do. (new)	11 1/2 nom.
China Provident	27 1/2 buy, 7.80 ea.
Constructions	24 sel.
Dairy Farms	230 nom.
Der A Wing (L.P.)	110 nom.
Hongkong Electric	250 buy, 61/62 ea.
Macao Electric	240 nom.
H.K. Developments	25 ea. nom.
H.K. Ropes (combined)	230 sel.
Do. (old)	110 nom.
Do. (new)	24 nom.
Hongkong Telephones	24 1/2 buy.
Hongkong Tramways	24 1/2 buy, 24 1/2 ea.
Lane Crawfords	11 1/2 buy.
Mackintosh	22 1/2 buy.
Peak Trams (old)	11 1/2 buy.
Do. (new)	27 buy.
Sincere	211 nom.
Taxis	24 sel.
United Asbestos	230 nom.
Waters (old)	11 1/2 buy.
Do. (new)	11 1/2 buy.
Wm. Powells	210 nom.
Singapore Tractions	28 sel.

HONGKONG AMUSEMENTS.

THE CURRENT PICTURE PROGRAMMES.

The Hongkong Amusements have provided very attractive programmes at the Queen's Theatre, and Star Theatre, Kowloon for this week.

At the Queen's Theatre to-day they are repeating a very interesting and entertaining programme which was given yesterday. The principal feature on the bill is "The Little Giant," starring Glenn Hunter, supported by Edna Murphy, David Higgins and other artists well known in the screen world, in a Carl Laemmle picture. In addition to this fine production there is Larry Semon in "Kid Speed."

At the 8.15 p.m. performance yesterday, enjoyable classical contributions were provided before the picture programme by the symphony orchestra of H.M.S. Vendictive.

To-morrow and Wednesday should see full houses at each performance at the Queen's Theatre when the big attraction will be "The Lost Chord," the screen story which has been woven around Sir Arthur Sullivan's song of that name. The cast appearing in this picture includes Faure Binney, Alice Lake, Dagmar Godowsky, Henry Sedley and David Powell.

From Thursday to Saturday the long anticipated Jackie Coogan film "The Boy of Elanders" will be screened. Supporting the famous Jackie Coogan in the picture are Josef Swickard, Nigel de Bruier, Lionel Belmore, Nell Craig and the well-known dog "Teddy."

THE "STAR"

At the "Star" Theatre, Kowloon, to-day an unusual picture in "Life's Great Game" is being shown. It is a sporting melodrama full of action and starring Johnnie Walker. The sport is baseball, America's great national pastime.

To-morrow and Wednesday "The Tenth Woman" is being shown and this picture had a first run in Hongkong some months ago, but has been booked again in view of the popular demand. The story is of a married flapper, Rose Ann, who always does the one thing that nine women out of ten would not do. The picture has been adapted from a literary success by Harriet Cornstock and stars June Marlowe, Beverley Bayne, John Roche and Alec Francis.

The CHAIRMAN: That it all the business of the meeting, gentlemen, and I thank you for your attendance. Dividend warrants will be ready on Monday and may be obtained on application to the Company's offices.

QUEEN'S
CINEMA

TO-DAY ONLY.

LARRY SEMON

"KID SPEED"

GLEN HUNTER

THE LITTLE GIANT

A CARL LAEMMLE PICTURE
A SPLENDID DRAMATIC COMEDY.

THE STAR

TO-DAY ONLY.

JOHNNIE WALKER

"LIFE'S GREATEST GAME"

THE WORLD

TO-DAY

At 5.15 & 8.15 ONLY.

LON CHANEY

"THE NIGHT ROSE"

INVESTMENTS.

WE BUY—

Watsons
Cements (combined)
New Engineers
Hongkong Banks

Malakoff
Steamboats
Jinma, Jernam
Malakoff Bonds

WE SELL—

Electric
Ferries
Hongkong Amusements
Lane, Crawford
Trams

Constructions
Union Insurance
P. & O. Banks
Lunas
Ramban Tin Shares

No Lot Too Small No Lot Too Large.

HONGKONG SMALL INVESTORS SHARE & REAL ESTATE CO.
Tel. 4530. 10, Des Vœux Road. 123

NOW ON SALE.

DIRECTORY & CHRONICLE FOR 1926.

THIS IMPORTANT COMMERCIAL VOLUME COM-
PRISES APPROXIMATELY 2,000 PAGES AND
GIVES THE ADDRESSES AND THE NAMES
OF THE FOREIGN STAFFS OF PRACTICALLY
EVERY FOREIGN FIRM IN THE FAR EAST.

It covers Hongkong, the Treaty Ports of China, Japan,
Corea, Indo-China, Straits Settlements, Malay States,
Netherlands India, Borneo, Siam, The Philippines, etc.

The Alphabetical List of Residents in the Far East is
arranged with the Initials, as well as the Surnames, in
strictly alphabetical order so that any name can be
found instantly.

The volume is one that is used daily by hundreds of firms.
It is a volume of the greatest service to all business
men.

The Edition Cannot be REPRINTED AND THERE-
FORE Orders SHOULD BE SENT IN WITHOUT
DELAY. They WILL BE DEALT WITH IN
ROTATION. DELIVERY OF THE DIRECTORIES
HAS ALREADY COMMENCED.

LARGE EDITION, with Maps and Treaties.....\$12.
SMALL EDITION 88.

Phone or Write—

HONGKONG DAILY PRESS, LTD.,
1A, CHATER ROAD.

TELEPHONE: CENTRAL 12.

FOR SALE.

CATHOLIC PRAYER BOOKS

IN
ENGLISH AND PORTUGUESE.

CRUCIFIXES, ROSARIES, HOLY PICTURES,
MEDALS, ARTISTIC COLOURED STATUETTES
OF SAINTS, &c.

GRACA & CO.

DEALERS IN RELIGIOUS ARTICLES.
PHILATELIC GOODS, GARDEN
SEEDS, ETC.

No. 10, WYNDHAM STREET,
P.O. Box No. 620. HONGKONG.

FOR EUROPE AND AMERICA,
INDIA, AUSTRALIA, &c.

Comprehensive and Complete Report
of the
NEWS OF THE FAR EAST

Is given in the

HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS.

with which is incorporated

THE CHINA OVERLAND
TRADE REPORT.

Subscription, paid in advance—\$12 per
annum for delivery in Hongkong; including
Postage to any part of the world—\$18.

TENNIS SHOES.

A good, durable shoe for the man preferring something lighter than Buckskin. The tough canvas is specially made for our needs, and we can guarantee it for wear. Comfort is assured, because the shoe is produced on a correct model. Light, cool, and best quality.

\$11.50**WE ALLOW 10% DISCOUNT FOR CASH.****Mackintosh**

& Co. Ltd.
MEN'S WEAR
SPECIALISTS

Alexandra Bldg. Hong Kong DesVoeux Road

ARRIVED

NEW

VICTOR**RECORDS**

S. MOUTRIE & CO., LTD.
VICTOR DISTRIBUTORS.

JUST ARRIVED

**LATEST MODELS
HARTMAN'S TRUNKS**

AT

EXCEPTIONALLY LOW PRICES.

CABIN TRUNKSFROM **\$45.00****WARDROBE TRUNKS**FROM **\$95.00****THE SINCERE CO., LTD.****CURTAIN MATERIALS AT WHITEAWAY'S**

**THE "STANDARD"
CASEMENT CLOTH.**

This cloth is made of strong yarn and is specially adapted for all furnishing purposes. 48 inches wide.

All colours.

\$1.00 yard.**THE "DELBETA" CURTAIN NET.**

The name "DELBETA" is a guarantee that the fabric is made and finished by the most modern methods. Only the best yarns procurable are used and for wearing qualities cannot be excelled. In Old Gold, Gold Fawn, Rose, Flame, Green, Blue at

45 inches wide **\$1.95** and **\$2.95** yards.**SEE SPECIAL WINDOW DISPLAY.**

WHITEAWAY, LAIDLAW & CO., LTD.
HONGKONG.

**THE BOXER INDEMNITY
DELEGATION.
DELEGATES' FUNCTIONS
EXPLAINED.**

**CHINESE MEMBERS' AUTHORITY
EQUAL TO BRITISH.**

The members of the British China Indemnity Delegation were at home on March 22nd to the representatives of the foreign and Chinese press in Shanghai, at the Astor House, Lord Willingdon, Chairman of the delegation presiding. Lord Willingdon, addressing the guests, said:—

Under instructions from my colleagues and on their behalf as well as my own, I rise, as Chairman of the British Boxer Indemnity Delegation, to welcome the representatives of the Press in Shanghai most cordially here this evening and to express our satisfaction that they have responded to our invitation in such a friendly spirit. I make the latter remark, for I can't help feeling that some of you may have wondered why our first invitation since we arrived in China should be sent to members of the Press.

Let me assure you and reassure you on this matter by saying that we have no intention of trying to bribe you over a cup of tea. I am inclined to think that it should take a much stronger beverage if we wanted to succeed in such a purpose.

CLEARING UP A MISUNDERSTANDING.

But I must honestly say that, apart from the pleasure of your company here, we have got a purpose in inviting you all here to-day. We, all six of us, have lived long enough in public life to know the great influence that the Press has on public opinion in any country. I think it is true to say that in some quarters there has been a great deal of misconception as to what is the exact purpose of our Mission, some misunderstanding as to the relative position and authority of the British and Chinese members of our delegation.

We have thought it well, therefore, to get out a statement, which we hope is quite clear and which will get rid of all doubts as to the position, and we venture to request that the representatives of the Press will be good enough to give the statement such publicity as they can. We ask you to-night to help us to get a fair start in our work. We don't expect to escape criticism, indeed I think we all feel that fair and reasonable criticism is stimulating and helpful. What we ask is, as I have said, that you should give us your valuable assistance in clearing away doubts which at present exist.

I need not dilate on the matter, for the statement is, I hope, sufficiently clear. But, put very shortly, the six members of our delegation have equal status and authority in every respect. We are all members of the statutory committee in London, and have met here as a delegation from that committee to enquire into how best the British Boxer Indemnity should be spent in the best interests of China and her people. The Committee in London consists of 11 members, of whom we six are now in China. If, as I profoundly hope at the end of our labours, we produce an unanimous report, we shall then go to London and if my arithmetic is correct shall be in a powerful position in influencing the views of our colleagues in England.

APPEAL FOR CO-OPERATION.

And to-night, at the commencement of our labours, on behalf of my colleagues and myself, I ask for co-operation from the people of China in assisting us to come to such decisions as are best calculated to give permanent benefit to their country.

Without that co-operation we may not be able to achieve all we desire; with it I hope and believe that we may achieve something which may prove to be a further binding link of friendship and goodwill between our two races, and help to sweep away those clouds of unrest and unsettlement which have so grievously afflicted this country in recent years.

Mr. FRANCIS ZIA replied to Lord Willingdon, on behalf of the Chinese press, expressing the hope that the Commission would keep the press fully informed as to its purposes and activities. In the free discussion which followed it was made clear that although the Committee now in China consisted of six out of 11 members, they had a clear majority and if they unanimously agreed on the report to the full committee, it was not likely that they would be overruled by the minority.

Mr. Zia asked whether the committee was here entirely in an advisory capacity and if so, whether the British Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs could reject its recommendations. Lord Willingdon explained, in reply, that his committee was solely advisory, but he doubted very seriously whether a report made by the full committee of 11 members would be rejected.

Although Lord Willingdon did not enter into a lengthy statement on this subject, all present seemed to be satisfied that public opinion would always be behind a committee which represented experts both Chinese and foreign.

Dr. V. K. Kirt, explained to the Chinese pressmen present that he accepted his appointment on the committee only because it was advisory and that the question of administration was entirely another matter, to which consideration would have to be given at another time. Lord Willingdon's remarks were translated into Chinese by Dr. Hu Shih.

(Continued on next column.)

A SHANGHAI LIBEL ACTION.

The "N.C. Daily News & Herald, Ltd." were sued in H.M.'s Supreme Court at Shanghai last week by the "China Press Inc." for alleged libel.

It was alleged by the plaintiffs that the defendants acted falsely and maliciously on January 21st in publishing a *precis* of a petition filed by in the U.S. Court for China by Mr. H. C. Norman, in which it was stated that he claimed \$42,000 arrears of salary and T.S. 20,000 damages, it being asserted that there were no arrears of salary. It was asserted that by the publication of this and certain other statements in the petition the plaintiffs' credit and reputation had been injured and they claimed T.S. 10,000 as general damages. The defendants admitted the publication, but said that the words complained of did not mean what was alleged by the plaintiffs and were not libellous.

The Jury returned a verdict for the defendants.

**THE CHINESE POLICE AT
SHANGHAI.****TRIBUTE BY THE COMMISSIONER.**

In his annual report, the Commissioner of the Shanghai Municipal Police (Capt. E. I. M. Barrett, C.I.E.) pays the following tribute to the Chinese Branch of the Force:—

"The Strike proved a great test of the loyalty of the Chinese Branch, and, on the whole, they stood the test well. The difficulties, chief of which was intimidation, that had to be contended with, were considerable, and, in view of this, it is to the credit of the Branch that, of 1,737, no more than 277 refused duty. Most of these were young Chinese Police Constables of less, or little more than one year's service, who had no families or interests in Shanghai. The older men remained loyal almost to a man, and the senior ranks, not one of whom absconded, did very good work in maintaining loyalty amongst constables. Special precautions have been taken to ensure that none of the strikers are ever engaged."

WEATHER REPORT.

Last night's weather report, forecast and remarks by the Royal Observatory said:—

The anti-cyclone has moved eastward and is now central between the Bonins and the Loochoos. Moderate monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and over the China Sea.

Local forecast: N.E. winds, moderate to overcast, with rain at first, improving later.

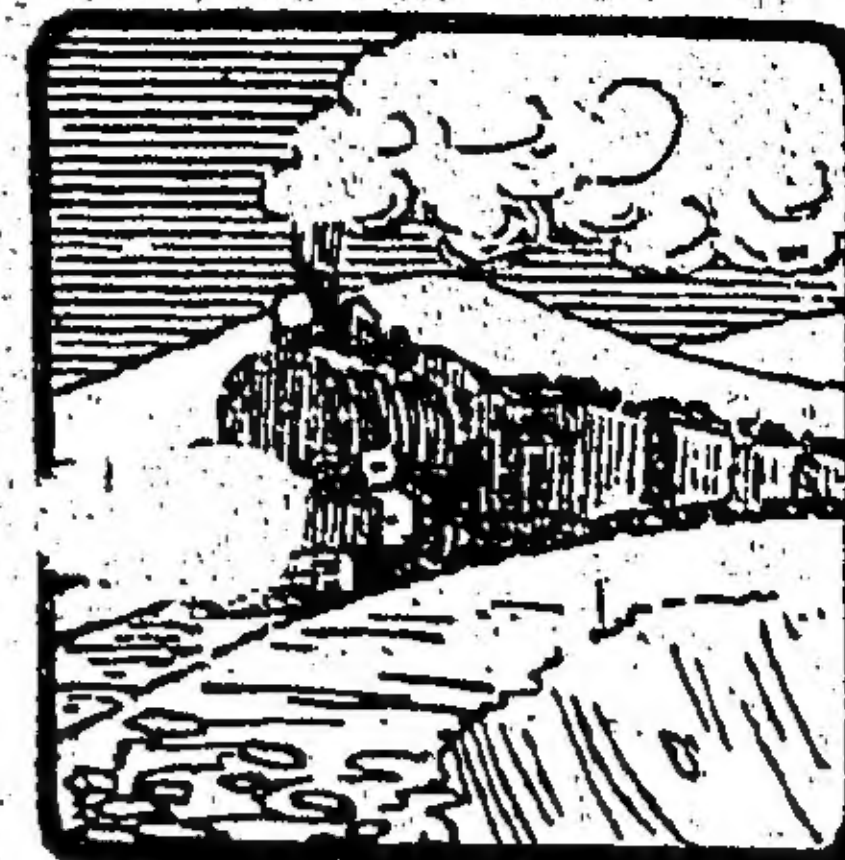
THE STATEMENT TO THE PRESS.

At the meeting, the following statement was issued to the press in English and Chinese.

The decision of the British Government to return to China the unexpended portion of the China Indemnity was embodied in an Act of Parliament whereby it was enacted that all indemnity payment made by the Chinese Government from December 1st, 1923, should be treated as a special fund to be called "The China Indemnity Fund" to be applied to "educational or other purposes" mutually beneficial to both countries. Under this Act, a statutory Committee was appointed consisting of 11 persons, three of whom were Chinese. In order to facilitate the work of the Committee in ascertaining the views held in China with regard to the disposal of the funds, it was decided that three English members of the Committee should visit China and pursue their investigations in co-operation with their three Chinese colleagues.

This Anglo-Chinese delegation, which is now in China, will visit many of the chief centres of population and will deliberate on the relative merits of the various schemes that have been or may be placed before them, and consider the principles to be followed in allocating the funds and in providing for their administration. The six delegates, whose status and functions are precisely equal and who are all full members of the statutory Committee, will, in due course, submit the result of their deliberations to the whole Committee. This Committee, which is advisory in nature, may be dissolved when the permanent executive organization is established for allocating and administering the funds. The character and composition of the permanent organization constitute one of the most important questions to be considered by the delegation.

The fundamental object which the British Government have in view in returning the balance of the indemnity is the strengthening of the bonds of friendship between Great Britain and China, and the utilization of this money to the best possible advantage for China and her people. The duty of the Delegation now in China is to find out what are the most pressing needs to which the indemnity funds can be applied; and it is hoped that the Committee's recommendations will meet with the approval of the Chinese people. In order that their task may be satisfactorily carried out, the members of the Delegation trust that those representing the various interests that may be affected, will give the Delegation their counsel and co-operation.

**KAIPING COAL
FOR ALL PURPOSES**HOME,
FACTORY
AND
BUNKERSPOWER
HOUSE,
TUGS &
LOCOS

Ask for our Illustrated Catalogue—Compare our Prices
and Inspect our wide Range of Samples

THE KAILAN MINING ADMINISTRATION
DODWELL & CO., LTD., Agents, Hongkong.

CURRY.

We have just received from Calcutta the best
**CURRY POWDER, SWEET MANGOES
CHUTNEY** and the celebrated **MAJOR GREY'S
CHUTNEY** especially bottled for us.

MAGASIN GENERAL.

[101]

"THE UNFAIR SEX."**"THE QUAINTS" SUCCESSFUL
SEASON.**

"The Quaints" concluded their season at the Theatre Royal on Saturday evening with the presentation of "The Unfair Sex," a farcical comedy by Eric Hudson, which has met with a considerable amount of success in London.

The play dragged unaccountably in the first act and promised to prove hopelessly disappointing, but it gathered momentum as "the plot" developed and the closing scenes were particularly diverting. The theatre was practically filled—an excellent testimonial to "The Quaints" considering this was their eighth or ninth consecutive performance—and when the final curtain fell the sustained applause and, it may be added, the bouquets and other presents handed to the various members of the cast demonstrated the high appreciation of those present.

As we predicted, would be the case after the opening performances at Kowloon last week, "The Quaints" visit to Hongkong has been a particularly successful one from every point of view. The Company, we trust, have been as satisfied with the financial results as the theatre-goers have been with the programme of entertainment provided. When they return—and it is hoped a return visit will not be unduly delayed—they may be surprised at another welcome.

On Saturday, Mr. R. B. Salisbury and Miss Ella Erskine, the charming *Nanette*, did not appear, and it speaks highly for the all-round talent of the Company that the play went so well without the assistance of these two principals. Mr. George Curzon, who is a friend of many years standing with Hongkong audiences, was given a splendid opportunity in the part of *Sir Henry Hekeith, K.C.* In "No, No, Nanette," he played a very minor role and, in our opinion, was not particularly successful as the better and book-maker's clerk in Ian Hay's Comedy. But in "The Unfair Sex" his was the character around which the whole play revolved and although as a High Court Judge in real life he might leave a great deal to be desired, there is little need to criticize the burlesque demanded from him by this farce. He was admirable throughout. Mr. Clive Woods as *Harry Fane* was perhaps a little too fatuous in the opening scenes but he improved wonderfully as the play progressed and maintained eventually the high opinion formed of his ability as *Algernon Shrigley* in "The Sport of Kings." The lady members of the cast were all good. Most of them came more prominently into the picture than in "No, No, Nanette" and the other plays. More sincere acting was required of them and their success established their versatility beyond question. Undoubtedly "The Quaints" as at present constituted, are a small but good all-round combination excellently equipped to meet every demand made upon them by a long tour.

Their farewell performance of "No, No, Nanette" was given at the Star Theatre, Kowloon, yesterday.

MODEL PRISON FOR KUKIANG.**PREPARING FOR EXTRALITY
COMMISSIONERS' VISIT**

KUKIANG, February 24th.
A huge model prison with an area of about 150 square yards has been for some time in process of being built by the Kukiang Local Procuratorate inside the east gate of the city, which is near the country. The contract price of the work is \$180,000. The work started in the 10th year of the Republic; but owing to lack of funds, it has been discontinued.

(Continued at foot of next column.)

THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY.**THE WORLD-RELIGION.****STATEMENT PASSED BY GENERAL
COUNCIL.**

The following statement was passed by the General Council of The Theosophical Society (Headquarters, Adyar, Madras, India) at the Jubilee Convention, December, 1925:—

BASIC TRUTHS OF RELIGION.

Theosophy, the Divine Wisdom, is the root of all the great religions, living and dead; all are branches of that ever-living Tree of Life, with its root in Heaven, the leaves of which are for the healing of the nations of the world. Each special religion brings out and emphasises some special aspect of the Truth, necessary for the evolution of humanity during the age it opens, and shapes the civilisation of that age, enriching the religious, moral and cultural heritage of the human race.

The World Religion, of which all special religions are integral parts—whether or not they recognise their places in the World Order—declares:—

1.—There is one transcendent Self, Existing Life, eternal, all-pervading, all-sustaining, whence all worlds derive their several lives, whereby and wherein all things which exist live and move and have their being.

2.—For our world this Life is immanent, and is manifested in the Logos, the Word, worshipped under different Names, in different religions, but ever recognised as the One Creator, Preserver and Regenerator.

3.—Under Him, our world is ruled and guided by Hierarchy of His Elder Children, variously called Rishis, Sages, Saints, among whom are the World-Teachers, who for each age re-proclaim the essential truths of religion and morality in a form suited to the age; this Hierarchy is aided in its work by the hosts of Beings—again variously named, Devas, Angels, Shining Ones, discharging functions recognised in all religions.

4.—Human beings for a one order of the creatures evolving on this earth, and each human being evolves by successive life-periods, gathering experiences and building them into character, reaping always as he sows, until he has learned the lessons taught in the three worlds—the earth, the intermediate state and the heavens—in which a complete life-period is passed—and has reached human perfection, when he enters the company of just men made perfect, that rules and guides the evolving lives in all stages of their growth.

These are the Basic Truths of the World-Religion, of which all religions are specialised branches; to proclaim and teach these The Theosophical Society was founded and exists.

The World Religion will thus help in preparing the way for the Coming of the World-Teacher, Who shall give to the Basic Truths the form suited to the age. He will open the Age of Brotherhood. The Theosophical Society admits to its fellowship all who desire to enter it, whether or not they hold any of these basic truths, or belong to any religion or to none, since all belong to the Universal Brotherhood of Humanity; of which it is a nucleus.—(The Theosophist, March, 1926).

several times, so the prison is not finished yet—a period of six years! Now, as the Extraterritoriality Commission will come here soon, The Procurator General, has urged the Provincial Government to raise a big sum of money so that the building of the prison may be finished at the earliest date possible. The Procurator General is said to have received \$10,000 from the Commission of Finance, and some 300 workers have been put on to build the rest of the prison. It will be probably be finished in a few weeks.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

GOVERNMENT BILLS, ETC.

TENDERS FOR SPECIE AND MEXICAN DOLLARS current in this Colony, for Telegraphic Transfer, on the London Commission of His Majesty's Treasury, London, up to and for the sum of £20,000, will be received by the **TREASURY CHEST OFFICER, COMMAND PAY OFFICER**, and endorsed **TENDERS FOR GOVERNMENT BILLS, ETC.**

The Tenders to state the Total Amount (in Pounds Sterling) No Telegraphic Transfer will be made for less than £100.

The Tenders to be in Duplicate, and in Sealed Covers, addressed to the **TREASURY CHEST OFFICER, COMMAND PAY OFFICER**, and endorsed **TENDERS FOR GOVERNMENT BILLS, ETC.**

The right to accept or reject any or all of the Tenders is reserved.

Copies of Forms of Tender can be had on application.

Persons tendering for (Bills) are hereby notified that, having regard to the provisions of the **Act of 1925**, Cap. 40 and 41, **George III. Cap. 65**, the acceptance of any such Tender is subject to the express condition that no member of the British House of Commons shall be admitted to any share or part in, or to any benefit to arise from the Contract thereby made for the allotment of such (Bills).

The provisions in question do not apply to Contracts entered into by any incorporated Company in its corporate capacity and made for the general benefit of the community.

Treasury Chest Officer, R.A.P.C.
His Majesty's Treasury Office,
Hongkong, 27th March, 1926. [3375]

NOTICE.

WE HAVE THIS DAY removed to Mr. PETER EMIL HILGA MELBYE to Sign our Firm Per Procuratione.
H. SKOTT & Co.,
Hongkong, 24th March, 1926. [3353]

NOTICE.

MR. A. BUYS Has Taken Over the Management of the HONGKONG BRANCH of THE TRANSMARINA TRADING CO., in place of Mr. J. P. HAYTER, who has left Hongkong on furlough. [3371]

CHINA SUGAR REFINING CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE FORTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Office of the GENERAL AGENTS, FIDELITY STREET, on THURSDAY, 22nd APRIL, 1926, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1925.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 8.30 to 2.30 APRIL, 1926, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,
General Agents,
Hongkong, 28th March, 1926. [3372]

FANLING HUNT STEEPCHASES.

EASTER MEETING.

MONDAY, APRIL 5th, 1926.

RIDDING BELL 12 Noon
FIRST RACE 12.30
EVENING ENCLOSURE AND
COURTAGE STAKES 3.00
Motor Cars can be parked on
the Racecourse opposite the grand
stand 5.00

THE Masters of the HUNT Request the Pleasures of the Presence of the Ladies at the RACES.

SPECIAL EXPRESS TRAIN to the RACES Leaves Kowloon at 11.02 A.M.

BUSSES and JITNEY CARS for the Course will meet the Train.

Extra Lighters for Taking Cars across Harbour will be provided.

Cash Sweepstake Tickets can now be obtained from Mr. U. BUNAHN. [3358]

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

COMPANIES (WINDING-UP No. 1 of 1926).

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ORDINANCE, 1911-1925

AND
THE CHINESE MERCHANTS BANK, LIMITED.

NOTICE OF DIVIDEND.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that it is intended to Declare A FIRST DIVIDEND in the above Matter, and Creditors, who have NOT ALREADY DONE SO, are Required on or before the THIRTY FIRST DAY OF MAY, 1926, to Send their Names and Addresses, and the Particulars of their Debts or Claims, and the Names and Addresses of their Solicitors, if any, to the UNDERSIGNED, the Liquidator of the said Company, and are also Required by their Solicitors, or Personally to come in and prove their said Debts or Claims at the Office of the OFFICIAL RECEIVER, SUPREME COURT, between the Hours of 10 A.M. and 4 P.M. or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any Distribution made before such Debts are proved.

Dated this 26th day of March, 1926.

JOHN FLEMING, C.A.,
Liquidator,
c/o LOW, BRIDGES & MATTHEWS,
3, Queen's Road Central,
Hongkong.

[3352]

FOUND. Brown and White Male HUNTING DOG. Owner can have same. Answer to 2349, c/o Hongkong Daily Press. [3348]

INTIMATIONS

THE HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Office of the Company, 2, QUEEN'S BUILDINGS, HONGKONG, on MONDAY, 29th MARCH, 1926, at NOON, for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1925.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from 8.30 to 2.30 on the 29th MARCH, 1926 (both days inclusive).

By Order of the Board of Directors,
R. M. DYER,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1926. [3337]

NOTICE.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

CERTIFICATE No. 3401 for 25 Shares, 24 Per Share Paid Up, Numbered 48761/48775 in this Society standing in the Joint Names of HARRY OLABURN PEAROE and JOHN HERMANN TESDALE, both of Shanghai, Has Been Declared LOST, and if at the Expiration of One Month from the Date hereof the above Document be not forthcoming the said Certificate will be deemed CANCELLED and of No Effect, and A NEW Certificate for the 25 Shares will be issued in its stead by the Society.

PAUL LAUDER,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 23rd February, 1926. [3233]

THE HONGKONG SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

ANNUAL MEETING

THE ANNUAL MEETING will be held on MONDAY, 29th MARCH, 1926, in the Board Room of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., at 5.30 P.M. Business—adopt the Accounts for 1925 and to elect Officers, etc.

Will Anyone willing to join the Committee or take Office please send their Names to the Undersigned.

B. L. FROST,
President and Hon. Secretary.
[3347]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE FIRST EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 3rd APRIL, 1926, commencing at 3.30 P.M. The First Ball will be rung at 2 P.M.

The Charge for Admission to the Public Enclosures will be \$1.00 for all Persons including Ladies, Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform—Half Price.

Members are advised that they must show their Badges to obtain Admission to the Members' Enclosure.

Each Member has the right of introducing 2 Non-members to the Members' Enclosure. Tickets for whom can be obtained from Messrs. LINDSAY & DAVIS at \$5 each up to THURSDAY, 1st APRIL.

The Charge for Admission for Ladies to the Members' Enclosure will be \$2. Each Member can obtain, upon application to the SECRETARY, Badges for the Admission of 2 Ladies Free of Charge.

[3353]

SARAWAK GOVERNMENT.

WANTED IMMEDIATELY.—ASSISTANT CONTROLLER, Government Opium Monopoly, Salary: \$400 Per Month, Free Furnished Quarters, 5-Year Agreement with Prospect of Permanent Employment with Salary Rising to Maximum \$800, and Provident Fund. Experience of Chinese and Personal References Essential. Preferably Unmarried.

Apply Box No. 3283,
c/o Hongkong Daily Press Office [3283]

WANTED to Buy in Wholesale Quantities of FANCY COTTON CLOTH such as Coloured Art Silk Fancies, Plain, Figured, Brocade, Art Silk, Printed and Brocade Poplins, Printed Haircords, Fine Striped, Figured, Brocade Shirtings, etc.

TERMS: Cash against Documents at SINGAPORE or at HONGKONG. Please send Samples with Lowest Quotations c/o Singapore to K. H. MANSOOR SAIBU, 164, Arab Str. c/o SINGAPORE. Samples will be Returned With or Without Orders. [3361]

TO LET.

GODOWNS in ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS (Basement),
Apply—
SECRETARY,
A. S. WATSON & Co., Ltd.
[3353]

TO LET.

A 4-ROOMED FLAT in "CARNARVON BUILDINGS, KOWLOON."
Apply to—
HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE CO., LTD.
[3350] Alexandra Building.

PREMISES TO LET in the DAIRY FARM BUILDING, PENNINGTON STREET, East Point, Floor Area: 5,235 Sq. Ft., Height: 20.40 Ft. Make Excellent Godown. For further particulars apply to the SECRETARY, THE DAIRY FARM, 102 & GOLD STORAGE CO., LTD. [3356]

TO LET.—From April 1st, 1926, for Six Months, Well Furnished Flat, Four Rooms, Central District, All Modern Conveniences including Elevator. Apply—Box No. 155 c/o Hongkong Daily Press. [155]

FOR SALE.—Child's PERAMBULATOR. Owner leaving Colony. Apply—Box No. 3363, c/o Hongkong Daily Press. [3363]

INTIMATIONS

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE.

PUBLIC AUCTION

OF THE VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY

Situate at Kowloon City in the Dependency of Kowloon and Colony of Hongkong and registered at the Land Office as SUB-SECTION 1 and 2 of SECTION A of NEW KOWLOON INLAND LOT No. 132 with the Premises thereon now known as Nos. 60 and 61, BAI KUNG ROAD.

IN TWO LOTS
Messrs. LAMMERT BROTHERS,
At Their Sale Room,
No. 5, DUNDRELL STREET, HONGKONG,
ON

MONDAY, THE 29th DAY OF MARCH 1926, AT 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

For further Particulars and Conditions of Sale, Apply to—
Messrs. WOO & NASH,
Mortgagee's Solicitors,
Bank of China Building,
Queen's Road Central,
OR TO—
Messrs. LAMMERT BROTHERS,
Auctioneers,
No. 5, DUNDRELL STREET,
Dated the 10th day of March, 1926. [3359]

BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE.

PUBLIC AUCTION

OF THE VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY

Situate at Victoria, Hongkong, and known as SUB-SECTION 2 of SECTION B of MARINE LOT No. 37 and the REMAINING PORTION of SECTION B of MARINE LOT No. 37, Together with the GODOWNS known as Nos. 1 and 3, SUTHERLAND STREET, AND 13, IN KU LANE erected thereon.

Area: 6,312.2 Square Feet.
Annual Crown Rent: \$179.53.
To be Sold
IN ONE LOT
BY
PUBLIC AUCTION

WEDNESDAY, THE 31st DAY OF MARCH, 1926, AT 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

AT THE CHINA AUCTION ROOMS,
4, DUNDRELL STREET, VICTORIA, HONGKONG,
BY
Mr. E. V. M. R. DE SOUSA, Auctioneer.

For further Particulars and Conditions of Sale, apply to—
Messrs. JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER,
Princes' Building, Hongkong,
OR TO
Mr. E. V. M. R. DE SOUSA,
The Auctioneer,
Hongkong, 24th March, 1926. [3354]

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS OF SALE OF THE VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY

Situate and being RURAL BUILDING LOT No. 224, VICTORIA, HONGKONG, TO be Sold
BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE
BY
PUBLIC AUCTION

ON THURSDAY, THE 1st DAY OF APRIL, 1926, AT 3 O'CLOCK P.M.

IN ONE LOT
THE AUCTIONEERING & BROKERING CO., LTD., Auctioneers,
At Their Auction Rooms at No. 4, DUNDRELL STREET.

The Property consists of—
All that Piece or Parcel of Ground situate at Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong registered in the Land Office as RURAL BUILDING LOT No. 224 together with the European Mortgage erected thereon.

The Property contains An Area of 30,000 Square Feet or thereabouts. The Property is held under Conditions of Sale No. 1074 which under a Crown Lease is to be granted for a Term of 75 years with a right of Renewal for a further Term of 75 years.

The Crown Rent payable in respect of the Property is \$172.00 annually.

Particulars and Conditions of Sale may be had from—
Messrs. DEACONS,
Vendor's Solicitors,
1, Des Voeux Road Central,
OR FROM
THE AUCTIONEERING & BROKERING CO., LTD.,
The Auctioneers,
Hongkong, March 24th, 1926. [3357]

THE BRITISH MALAYA TRUSTEE AND EXECUTOR COMPANY, LIMITED.

(INCORPORATED IN SINGAPORE)

THE Company is prepared to act as EXECUTOR, ADMINISTRATOR or TRUSTEE and as ATTORNEY or AGENT for Persons having Interests in "MALAYA" or desiring to acquire Interests there.

Booklets and any further information may be obtained on Application to the SECRETARIES at CHARTERED BANK BUILDING, SINGAPORE. [123]

WANTED HOUSE on PALE, or UPPER Middle Level, with Tennis Court. Good Rent offered for Suitable Lease. Apply—SMALL INVESTORS' TEL. 4820. We have Houses for Disposal. We have Houses and Land for Sale.

INTIMATION

WATSON'S

Celebrated

DRY GINGER

ALE

Its unique 'dryness' delightful aroma and rich flavour are features which give this beverage the IMMENSE POPULARITY it deserves.

It has been repeatedly declared by travellers, tourists and others, that WATSON'S DRY GINGER ALE is UNEQUALLED by any similar product throughout the world.

"PYERIS"

SPARKLING MINERAL WATER.

A Delicious Table Water, healthful and refreshing. Surpassing in quality the celebrated European Spa Waters.

Blends excellently with Wines and Spirits, especially Whisky.

IN QUARTS, PINTS & SPLITS.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

AERATED WATER MANUFACTURERS.

ESTABLISHED 1841.

50

BIRTHS.

ATCHISON.—At Shanghai, on March 23rd, to Mr. and Mrs. G. L. ATCHISON, a daughter.

LEVY.—At Shanghai, on March 21st, to Mr. and Mrs. D. LEVY, a son.

DEATHS.

AZEVEDO.—At Shanghai, on March 22nd, MARY DOBINE AZEVEDO, aged 21 years.

CAMERON.—At Shanghai, on March 22nd, BEVER DOUGLAS, beloved son of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. CAMERON, aged 2 years and 8 months.

Hongkong Office: 14, Charter Road.
London Office: 131, Fleet Street, E.C.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, MARCH 29th, 1926.

BRITISH FILMS AND FOREIGN INFLUENCE.

An extraordinary amount of attention is being given in England to the subject of film production about which we wrote in detail recently. The importance of devising some method to counter the aggressive penetration of American cinematograph interests in Great Britain and throughout the British Empire is fully realised, but how this can be effectively done is a problem of enormous difficulty.

That something will be done eventually we have no doubt, but at the moment there is nothing in the nature of a plan which meets with general acceptance.

Since the question came to the front towards the end of last year the film industry in England has been urged to agree upon a scheme whereby a quota of British films should be shown at every performance—that is to say, there should be a per centage of British to foreign films. Failing agreement on this cardinal point the various interests concerned were given to understand that legislation would probably be passed to make them do under compulsion what they declined to

carry out of their own free will. But so far agreement has been found impossible of attainment. The stumbling block is the acceptance of any scheme for a compulsory quota of British films.

The idea of a quota is generally considered to be a fundamental part of any plan for dealing with the exhibition of films in picture theatres. It has been approved in some quarters in England and hotly opposed in others. It has been urged upon the Government as practical and potentially effective if legislation must be passed—as seems highly probable—to control the imported productions of American film studios; and the Federation of British Industries, which has taken a very strong line in support of the quota, has prepared a Bill for Parliament. But the film industry in Britain is like a house divided against itself. There are numerous conflicting interests. The only definite result of prolonged discussion so far has been to obtain a vote within the trade itself regarding the proposed quota, and this was unsatisfactory. A majority voted against the quota, but there were many hundreds of film users who did not vote at all. The quota suggested by the F.B.I. is as follows—87 per cent. foreign films shall be permitted to be shown against 13 per cent. British in 1927; 75 per cent. foreign against 25 per cent. British in 1928; and 62 per cent. foreign against 37 per cent. British in 1929, and onwards.

On the face of it this demand seems by no means unreasonable. But as we have already stated it was rejected by the trade. Other proposals have also been turned down. The situation would be amusing were the issue less serious. The position at the moment is that the film industry at home, being fully conscious that public opinion is expecting something to be done, are earnestly professing their desire to put British film production on its feet. Frantic searches are made for means to carry this out, but when any of these are put to the vote, each section of the trade promptly rejects every suggestion which might possibly react against its own particular interest.

Thus there is the comic spectacle of the exhibitor denouncing the evils of block-booking (the system under which cinemas are forced to book a mass of inferior American pictures which they do not want so that they can book others which they do want), but setting his face firmly against any question of a quota which might hurt his interests. The renter of films sees that the abolition of block-booking without a quota would be useless, and therefore, since the exhibitor will not agree to a quota, he, as a renter, votes against the abolition of block-booking. The impasse is, therefore, complete.

One of the grounds on which the quota proposals have been severely criticised is that there would not be a sufficient number of good British films available, and that thoroughly bad pictures would have to be screened in order to comply with the quota. But the answer to this is supplied by the figures previously given. We can agree with those who meet this argument by stating that a quota of only 12 per cent. in the first year of film control, 25 per cent. in the second year, and 37 per cent. in the third year and onwards is so modest that even at the present low rate of production there are, or will be, sufficient admittedly good British pictures to make up the quota. It is generally admitted that British production is improving; and the rate of improvement would be more rapid if more capital were available for development. Pictures, however, cannot be made without money, and money cannot be attracted until the investor knows that there is a market for the films.

The London County Council, which controls all the cinemas in the Metropolis and issues licences permitting them to carry on, recently reported against the unrestricted exhibition of imported films. "The vast majority of films now shown," runs the report, "portray standards and ideals different from those ruling in this country. The effect of this on adults is difficult to gauge, but the effect on children must strongly tend to weaken national characteristics." This is a very

weighty pronouncement. It ought surely to have some effect on the minds of the great, wise, and eminent people who carry on the business of Government, who should realise that it is against British interests to have the ideas and ideals of another country presented day by day and night after night in countless cinemas throughout the British Empire. We want something better than sex dramas, compounded of emotional slush and the morality of the cave man, and action plays which are not for the most part founded on the untutored standards of the "Wild and Woolly West" of half a century ago. Unfortunately Governments are proverbially slow to move, and it is reported in London that there is an idea in Downing Street that this is a matter which can be postponed for a year. But, of course, the longer legislation is delayed to enforce a quota the more difficult will it be eventually to release the present stranglehold of American film interests. The most hopeful feature of the film situation for the time being is that public opinion at home has been definitely roused over the question of British film production, and that the politicians may be forced to move in the matter in spite of themselves.

Six out of the eight victims of the Hunghom bomb outrage, have been discharged from hospital.

Two more persons bitten by dogs on Friday, were taken to hospital, and the dogs sent to Kennedy Town.

Mr. L. H. V. Booth has been appointed to act as Assistant Harbour Master, with effect from February 7th.

The Eastern Vacation of the Supreme Court begins on April 2nd, and terminates on April 8th (both days inclusive).

The District Land Office at Ping Shan has been appointed a place where a magistrate may sit to hear and try complaints.

H.E. the Governor has been pleased to direct that the name of Mr. Jean Victor Guerin be added to the list of authorised architects.

Our readers are reminded of the annual general meeting of the S.P.C.A. which will be held to-day (Monday) at 3.30 p.m., in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine & Co., Ltd.

At the European Y.M.C.A. last evening Dr. G. W. Hollings gave an instructive and interesting talk to the members on "Some aspects of Medical Missionary Work in China."

Mr. T. A. Clark has been appointing acting Manager of the Shanghai Branch of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., during the absence of Mr. C. M. G. Burnie.

Mr. W. J. E. Williamson, C.M.G., formerly Financial Adviser to the Siamese Government, has been offered and has accepted the post of Financial Adviser to the Estonian Government.

Professor W. P. C. de Trafford of the Economics Department, Osaka Commercial University, is on a short visit to South China. Dr. Trafford was one of the first lecturers in the University of Hongkong.

News has been received from England recording the death of Miss Louie Havers, who was for many years a missionary at Pakhoi and Canton. She died on February 20th at her home in Chester, Cambridge.

Judge Milton D. Purdy, of the Supreme Court of the United States in China, who has been staying in Manila for reasons of health is returning to Shanghai on the President Madison which arrived at Hongkong yesterday.

Our Chinese correspondent reports that the members of the Chinese staff of the Chinese Maritime Customs in Canton have organized a union, their temporary headquarters being located at the Kuomintang Club in Sase Wing Hong, Canton.

RENTS RESTRICTION.

HONGKONG ORDINANCE TO LAPSE ON JUNE 30th.

The following notification appears in the Government Gazette:—

"It is hereby notified for general information that it is intended to allow the Rents Ordinance to expire on the 30th June, 1926."

FRENCH POLITICO-FINANCIAL CRISIS.

THE FINANCE MINISTER'S PROPOSALS.

THE BOAT RACE: DETAILS.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

FRENCH FINANCES.

NEW TAXES TO MAKE ENDS MEET.

Paris, March 27th. In the Chamber of Deputies, the Finance Committee agreed to new taxation yielding an estimate of 1,350,000,000 francs, including a profits tax on the conveyance of real property, an increased tax on the sale of businesses and doubling the turnover tax on firms whose figures exceed a million francs.

It is understood that the Finance Minister, M. Peret, is willing to accept a compromise on the proposal to make up the remaining deficit of over a milliard francs by a general turnover tax exclusively confined to wholesalers and middlemen.

HOPE OF A SETTLEMENT.

The Ministerial Council have discussed the financial situation. M. Raoul Peret indicated there was hope of reaching an agreement in the Finance Committee, and added that he was prepared to make a further effort at conciliation as far as was compatible with the imperious necessities of the hour.

The Council unanimously approved of M. Peret's attitude. Subsequently M. Peret said he would wash his hands of the whole business unless the Business Turnover Tax and other taxes was voted by March 31st.

M. Peret declared the Government was unanimous on the necessity for a speedy vote, and would, if necessary, stake its existence on this way. They were at the mercy of the slightest incident which might smash up everything. He was not afraid of any complication at the moment, but if demands for reimbursement of Treasury Bonds should pour in he would be reduced to resort to inflation which he would not have at any price.

The Finance Committee of the Chamber passed by 15 votes to 7, with five abstentions, the amendment of Deputy Margaine aiming at the institution of a monopoly on the higher grades of petrol. The amendment provides for State Control of the importation of raw petroleum, its derivatives, and also sugar from January 1st, 1927, but it is not certain that Parliament will pass it.

LATER. The politico-financial situation is drastically transformed. The Government's fate yesterday seemed sealed owing to the Socialist and Radical opposition to an increase of the Business Turnover Tax, on which the Government insisted, but today, M. Peret suddenly informed the Finance Committee of the Chamber that he had given up this tax and would instead submit proposals for an increase in certain indirect taxes, especially wines, beers, spirits and certain stamp duties.

M. Peret asked for a little time to put together finishing touches on the new project, and the Committee readily agreed, thus the anti-Government majority on the Turnover Tax is averted at the eleventh hour.

(THROUGH HAVAS AGENCY.)

THE MOROCCAN WAR.

A STATEMENT BY MONSIEUR PAINLEVE.

Paris, March 28th. M. Painleve, heard by the Finance Committee of the Chamber, stated in the recent fight in Morocco, the French troops made good progress, with unimportant losses.

The Government remains willing to contemplate broaching negotiations as soon as circumstances make it possible, but will act in full accord with Spain towards a pacific settlement of the Moroccan question. It is for their enemies to impart to Spain and France their desire for peace.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

FRENCH SYRIAN WAR.

CONVOY TANKS ENGAGE REBELS.

Paris, March 28th. A message from Beirut states a French column, while proceeding from Sednaya to Nive, encountered hostile forces. Convoy tanks preceding the column, engaged a powerful body of rebels at Barze, killing thirty.

LABOUR WIN.

NO CHANGE IN SCOTTISH COUNTY BY-ELECTION.

London, March 27th. In the Bothwell Parliamentary by-election, Mr. Joseph Sullivan (Labour) headed the poll with 14,530 votes. Mr. A. C. Macay, E.C. (Conservative), was next with 8,740 and Mr. Ernest Young (Liberal) bottom with 1,976. The by-election arose out of the death of Mr. John Robertson.

At the last election, Mr. Robertson (Labour) beat Mrs. H. B. Shaw (Conservative) by 14,591 to 11,214.

ELECTRICITY BILL.

HOME GOVERNMENT FACES DIFFICULT PROBLEM.

London, March 28th.

The Government faces another difficult problem when the second reading of the Electricity Supply Bill is taken to-morrow. Much opposition is expected from Government supporters. The strongest feeling exists among a section of Conservatives against the Bill which is regarded as the thin end of the wedge of Nationalisation.

Some forty have indicated they are supporting the unofficial motion for the Bill's rejection on the ground that it is Socialistic. It is unlikely, however, that this motion will be moved as a Labour amendment advocating a publicly owned system which takes precedence, while Government circles contend that most criticism arises from the fact that the Bill's technicalities are imperfectly understood. The situation needs careful handling, and it is expected that the Government will be induced to accept some modifications.

ANTI-FASCIST MEASURE.

OFFENDERS TO LOSE PROPERTY AND CITIZENSHIP.

Rome, March 27th.

The new law against political refugees is applied to the case of the ex-Socialist deputies Antonio Vacirca, residing at New York and Angelo Tonello, living at Lugano.

The former is deprived of rights of Italian citizenship and his property confiscated for alleged systematic vilification of Italy in the United States while Tonello loses his rights of citizenship and his property is sequestered for two years for allegedly conducting a venomous campaign against Fascism.

NEW ALLIANCE.

TREATY BETWEEN POLAND AND ROUMANIA SIGNED.

Bucharest, March 27th.

A treaty of alliance between Rumania and Poland has been signed.

THE FALLING FRANC.

London, March 28th.

French francs on London have dropped to a new low record, closing at 141.20, on selling believed to be emanating chiefly from Paris.

THE STEEL TRUST.

TO BRING DOWN PRICES AND INCREASE TRADE.

Berlin, March 26th.

The Rhenish Westphalian Steel Trust, which will be known as the Vereinigte Stahlwerke, is now practically a *fait accompli*, and it begins active operations on April 1st. The purpose of the Trust is stated to be reduced general expenditure by the concentration of production so that the various works will only produce material for which they are best suited. It is hoped to reduce the cost of production and bring down prices and increase trade. The headquarters of the Trust will be at Düsseldorf for steel and at Essen for coal. The capital of the Trust is fixed at 800 million marks, and it is hoped to obtain the necessary working capital by means of long term loans from the Reichsbank at the reduced discount rate of from eight to seven per cent. whereas the rate of interest on advances is from nine to eight per cent.

THE GRAND NATIONAL.

JACK HORNER WINS A GREAT RACE.

London, March 28th.

The result of the Grand National, run at Aintree to-day, was as follows:—

Jack Horner 1
Old Tay Bridge 2
Bright's Boy 3

There were 30 starters. Won by three lengths, one length between second and third.

The starting price betting was: Jack Horner, 25 to 1; Old Tay Bridge, 8 to 1; Bright's Boy, 25 to 7.

Instead of being French as the Lincoln was, it was an American Grand National, as Jack Horner was purchased by a leading American financier, Mr. Charles Schwartz, a fortnight ago, from Kenneth Mackay, for £4,000. Bright's Boy is owned by the popular American Mr. Sanford, the owner of Sergeant Murphy.

It was an excellent race with an exciting finish. Old Tay Bridge and Bright's Boy rose at the last jump together, but the former failed to resist Jack Horner on the flat. The time was a min. 36 secs. There was no serious mishap.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

THE BOAT RACE.

HUGE CROWD SEE CAMBRIDGE WIN.

London, March 27th.

Fine weather prevailed for the boat race, which was witnessed by a huge crowd.

Oxford won the toss and chose the Surrey side.

Cambridge won easily.

THE RACE DESCRIBED.

LATER.

The conditions were ideal for a fast race, the water being smooth, with a light south-easterly breeze. An excellent start was made. Oxford had a slight lead early on, but Cambridge rowed beautifully. At the milepost the time was 4 min. 3 secs. Here they were practically level, and a spurt by Oxford secured them an advantage, but Cambridge answered well.

At Hammersmith Bridge (Time 7 min. 27 secs.), Oxford lead by a bare canvas.

At Chiswick Cambridge by a magnificent effort drew ahead, and although Oxford tried hard by Duke's Meadows to reduce the lead, Cambridge reached Barnes Bridge in 16 min. 10 secs., with the race well in hand.

As they approached the finish Cambridge with a short spurt, lengthened their lead considerably. The Cambridge crew did not appear to be distressed, but some of the Oxford men were badly done up.

FOOTBALL AT HOME.

MANCHESTER CITY AND BOLTON CUP FINALISTS.

London, March 28th.

The following English Cup and League matches were played on Saturday:—

CUP SEMI-FINALS.

Manchester City, 3; Manchester U., 0. (At Sheffield).

Bolton W., 3; Swansea, 0. (At Tottenham).

THE LEAGUE: DIV. ONE.

Blackburn R., 1; West Ham U., 0.
Bury, 2; Arsenal, 2.
Cardiff City, 0; Leeds United, 0.
Everton, 3; Nottingham, 0.
Huddersfield T., 3; Aston V., 1.
Sunderland, 2; Leicester C., 0.
West Bromwich A., 0; Liverpool, 3.

THE LEAGUE: DIV. TWO.

Barnsley, 0; Middlesbrough, 1.
Blackpool, 0; Stoke City, 0.
Bradford C., 1; South Shields, 1.
Chelsea, 3; Wolverhampton W., 3.
Clapton O., 1; Portsmouth, 1.
Derby County, 3; The Wednesday, 1.
Derby County, 3; Fulham, 1.
Notts Forest, 2; Stockport County, 0.
Port Vale, 3; Preston N.E., 0.
Southampton, 3; Oldham Ath., 1.

THIRD LEAGUE (SOUTHERN).

Aberdare A., 1; Swindon T., 1.
Brentford, 0; Bournemouth and B.A., 2.
Brighton and H.A., 1; Exeter C., 3.
Bristol C., 4; Gillingham, 0.
Crystal P., 4; Charlton A., 1.
Millwall, 3; Queens Park R., 0.
Northampton, 2; Bristol R., 0.
Norwich, 3; Luton Town, 0.
Plymouth A., 3; Merthyr T., 0.
Southend U., 1; Newport C., 1.
Walford, 0; Reading, 1.

THIRD LEAGUE (NORTHERN).

Ashington, 1; Bradford, 1.
Barrow, 0; Chesterfield, 0.
Coventry C., 1; Tranmere R., 2.
Crewe A., 0; Halifax T., 1.
Doncaster R., 2; Huddersfield U., 1.
Lincoln C., 3; Accrington S., 1.
Nelson, 2; Walsall, 0.
North Brighton, 3; Rotherham U., 1.
Southport, 2; Grimsby T., 2.
Wigan Boro., 0; Grimsby T., 2.
Wrexham, 1; Rochdale, 0.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Airdrieonians, 5; Hibernians, 1.
Dundee U., 8; Clydebank, 0.
Hearts, 2; Dundee, 2.
Motherwell, 2; Celtic, 1.
Partick T., 3; Morton, 3.
Queen's Park, 2; Kilmarnock, 2.
Raith Rovers, 1; Falkirk, 4.
Rangers, 0; Aberdeen, 1.
St. Johnstone, 1; Hamilton A., 1.
St. Mirren, 2; Cowdenbeath, 1.

INTER-SERVICES' RUGBY.

ARMY WIN THE CHAMPIONSHIP.

Twickenham, March 27th.

In the inter-services' Rugby Tournament the Army beat the Air Force by 11 points to nil, and the Army thus win the Championship.

INTERNATIONAL HOCKEY.

Belfast, March 27th.

In a hockey match here to-day England defeated Ireland by two goals to one.

THE PRINCE'S HEALTH.

London, March 27th.

The Prince of Wales is progressing excellently.

ITALIAN DICTATOR.

ANOTHER BOMBASTIC OUTBURST BY MUSSOLINI.

Rome, March 28th.

On the occasion of the seventh anniversary of Fascism, Signor Mussolini has issued a message to Italian Fascists saying, *inter alia*: "At home the consent of the people is thronging ever more around the Government which has solved formidable problems, whilst the oppositions of all sorts have been dispersed. Abroad, Italy is loved or feared and respected everywhere, despite the impotent manœuvres of old political forces which we definitely have crushed." But Fascism's heaviest task is yet to be confronted, and "we must now, under the invincible symbol of Fascism, prepare unceasingly the material and moral power of the Italian people. Blackshirts! By all means and against every obstacle, we shall realise our ideal."

SCULLING CHAMPIONSHIP.

MAJOR GOODSELL ACCEPTS TOM SAUL'S CHALLENGE.

Sydney, March 28th.

Major Goodsell, the holder, and Tom Saul have signed articles for a sculling race on the Parramatta River on May 3rd, for the world's championship, with a stake of £200 aside.

[Major Goodsell became world's champion last year by beating the previous holder, J. Paddon.]

SOVIET "REFORMS."

ABOLITION OF MONASTICISM DECIDED ON.

Riga, March 28th.

A message from Moscow says it is announced that the so-called Holy Synod has decided on the total abolition of monasticism throughout Russia and monks must renounce their vows as not conforming with the spirit of the times.

(REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.)

MEXICAN BANDITS.

NOTE TO GOVERNMENT FROM AMERICA.

Washington, March 28th.

The United States Ambassador Sheffield has delivered a Note to the Mexican Foreign Office requesting speedy punishment of the bandits who robbed two American mining engineers in Durango ten days ago.

There have been several other anti-American outbreaks in Mexico recently, but the State Department intimates the Note hardly constitutes a protest in the diplomatic sense of the word, and the United States is disposed to view these manifestations as merely a recrudescence of banditry, for which the Calles Government should not be held too strictly accountable.

FALL IN U.S. STOCKS.

HEAVY SALES.

New York, March 28th.

In the stock market the average price of twenty pivotal Industrials sank to new low levels for the year, as another stream of liquidation poured out and aggressive bear-selling caused heavy sellings, and weakened marginal accounts. The market closed with heavy sales which totalled over a million dollars.

MEXICAN OIL.

DISCUSSIONS WITH U.S. COMPANIES BREAK DOWN.

New York, March 27th.

Negotiations at Mexico City between representatives of the leading oil companies and the Mexican Government with reference to modifications in the regulations for the exploitation of oil fields have broken down.

Disagreement arose owing to the oil representatives' inability to accept clauses concerning lands held before 1917. It is expected that the Government will now promulgate regulations and promise to meet the companies' objection in subsequent negotiations.

CHILE AND AMERICA.

SERIOUS COMPLICATIONS ON PLEBISCITE PROBLEM.

Santiago, March 27th.

Serious complications have arisen between the American and Chilean members of the plebiscite commission. The Chileans claim that they accepted the good offices of the United States on condition that their plebiscite activities should remain undisturbed while the Americans demand complete suspension thereof.

TACNA ARICA DISPUTE.

UNITED STATES CALLED IN.

Washington, March 28th.

The Secretary of State, Mr. Frank Kellogg, has announced that the Government of Peru and Chile have accepted the good offices of the United States for a settlement of the long-standing Tacna Arica controversy.

MR. MELLON'S HOLIDAY.

New York, March 27th.

Mr. Mellon left for Bermuda for his Easter Vacation. Sir Robert Horne said farewell to him on the pier.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

THE NORTHERN WAR.

BATTLE EXPECTED NEAR HUANG TSUN.

Peking, March 28th.

It is reported that Li Ching Lin's armoured train, manned by White Russians, came into contact with Kuominchun forces at An Ting. Some fighting took place this morning.

Kuominchun reinforcements are proceeding to An Ting from Feng Tai.

PEKING CUT OFF.

Tientsin, March 27th.

A battle is expected shortly near Huang Tsun where rails have been torn up. Thus, railway communication with the Capital is again stopped.

A strong force of Kuominchun troops, believed to be the remnants of the Third Army, are holding Huang Tsun while the "Allies" have sent armoured trains manned by Russians and troop trains carrying Russians and Chinese up the line. Many others are proceeding by road.

A GENERAL "RED" EXPEDITION.

Hankow, March 27th.

A wireless message from Changsha states the Fourth Division is moving from Changsha to Yochow against the Third Division and the Yochow Garrison.

Railway telegraphic communication between Hankow and Changsha are severed. The local Headquarters consider the movement a preliminary to a general "Red" expedition.

ATTEMPT TO CAPTURE PEKING.

Tientsin, March 28th.

Peking is now completely cut off from Tientsin, neither telephone nor railway communications functioning.

The Kuominchun have established important lines of trenches at Huang Tsun, with supports two miles behind, in readiness for strong resistance.

All foreigners in Fengtai have gone to Peking. The Mukden troops are now moving across country to Peking, and it is expected these, with Li Ching Lin's army, will attempt to capture Peking.

PEKING, March 28th.

Gunfire was heard last night, probably at Sanhsien, where the Fengtien advance guard is reported to have arrived.

ALLIES CONCENTRATING ON PEKING.

Shanghai, March 28th.

The civil war has reached an important stage, the Manchurian Generals Li Ching Lin and Chang Tsung Chang having recaptured Tientsin from the Kuominchun Army and now advancing along the railway to Peking, while Chang Tso Lin's cavalry are pushing forward to Peking from the East, and Wu Pei Fu, who has completely cleared the province of Honan, from the South.

PEKING, March 28th.

General Lu Chang Lin, the Commandant of the Kuominchun Garrison here, has emphatically disclaimed his intention of disarming the Chief Executive's (Tuan Chi Jun) Bodyguard, thus greatly relieving apprehension since General Feng Yu Kiang's telegram.

THE DUTCH INDIES.

NEW GOVERNOR-GENERAL APPOINTED.

The Hague, March 28th.

Jonkheer de Graaf, ex-Minister to Tokyo, has been appointed Governor-General of the Dutch Indies.

HONGKONG BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE.

DEVELOPMENT IN FORMER MANAGER'S LAWSUIT.

Paris, March 28th.

There has been a further development in the suit brought by M. Durnegin, formerly of Hongkong, against the Banque Industrielle de Chine.

The contention of the Bank de Paris et Pays Bas—that it was acting for the Government—is supported by a letter from M. Robineau, Governor of the Bank de France, to the Directors of the Bank de Paris et Pays Bas confirming the request of the Bank of France to various other Banks to furnish foreign currencies for the purpose of increasing the reserve which was being amassed to combat the speculation against the franc.

M. Robineau recalls that the Bank de Paris et Pays Bas suggested the Far Eastern market as being less susceptible to sudden fluctuations than the European and American markets; and, consequently, suitable for such operations.

(Continued on next column.)

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Tenders of the Wing On Construction Co. have been accepted for constructing the main road through the busiest part of Sai Kwan, the Sup Fat Poo, or the 18th Ward, Canton. Work is to start immediately.

Miss Coy, of No. 7, Cameron Road, has reported to the police, that sometime between March 25th and 26th, a wash house on the premises was entered and linen to the value of \$76 was stolen.

The dance postponed from last week was held at the Craigengower Cricket Club on Saturday night. There was a large attendance and the dancing, which continued until a late hour, was very much enjoyed.

A Chinese was knocked down in the Tsun Wan Road on Friday by a car driven by Lieut. G. C. Fawcett, R.A. He was slightly injured and was taken to the Kowloon Hospital. On the same day there were three minor accidents in Wanchai, but the victims were only slightly hurt.

At the Central Magistracy on Saturday, a Chinese was brought up on remand on a charge of unlawfully receiving 200 bags of ginseng seed, stated to be worth \$3,000. It is alleged that defendant said that he was manager of the Aai Yau firm, of No. 125, Bonham Strand East, and so received the goods from another firm. The case was adjourned.

The Hongkong University Christian Association is to give a "farewell" party to the Rev. Dr. T. W. Pearce on Saturday next in St. John Hall. During the evening a presentation will be made to Dr. Pearce in recognition of his services in connection with the Association. A similar party is also being arranged by Morrison Hall, of which Dr. Pearce has been Warden for many years.

The usual Sabraon Anniversary Ball is not being held by the Warrant Officers and Sergeants of the 1st Bn. The East Surrey Regiment this year. In its place a dance was given at the R.E. Theatre, Wellington Barracks, on Friday evening. Major-General C. C. Luard, C.B., C.M.G. (G.O.C. the Forces in China) and Mrs. Luard, Col. Montague Bates and the majority of the officers of the regiment were present.

Sanitary Inspector H. J. Knight is retiring from the service of the Hongkong Government after thirty years' residence in the Colony. He leaves for Home on the s.s. *Glenamoy* on April 7th. Mr. Knight arrived in the Colony in 1896 to join the Police Force. Within three years he was transferred to the Sanitary Department. Since 1917, Mr. Knight has been stationed at Kennedy Town, where he has been in charge of the slaughter houses, and the home for dogs under examination for rabies. He will probably settle down in the South of England.

It is notified in the *Government Gazette* that it is the intention of H.E. the Governor to make an Order on the expiration of six months from the date of this notice, directing the removal of all graves in certain portions of Sections A, B, C and Plague Trenches in Hsu Pui Cemetery, a certain portion of Section A in Chai Wan Cemetery; and the graves in certain portions of the Tung Wah Hospital Cemetery at Kai Lung Wan and Sham Wan Cemetery. In the case of the first cemetery the Order will be made for the purpose of the execution of a public work, namely the laying out of roads and building sites. In the case of the other three cemeteries the Order will be made for the proper laying out of such areas for the purpose of burial therein of Chinese dead.

The suggestion was accepted, and the Bank de Paris et Pays Bas with other Banks subsequently placed at the disposal of the Bank of France a certain reserve which contributed to reduce speculation. M. Robineau's letter concluded by paying a tribute to the promptitude and competence of the Bank de Paris et Pays Bas.

[A Paris cable of March 28th stated: M. Durnegin, till 1924 manager of the Hongkong branch of the Banque Industrielle de Chine, has brought an action in the Paris Court of Appeal against the Banque for wrongful dismissal, and was calculated to lower the value of the franc. He says on May 7th, 1924, he received a telegram from the Head Office ordering him to buy dollars or sterling on account of the Banque de Paris et Pays Bas to the extent of \$100,000 daily. He refused to carry out the order because it was calculated to start a panic in Far Eastern markets. The Banque de Paris et Pays Bas statement declares that the orders mentioned were placed on Government account to defend the franc. The case may be politically important as the Banque de Paris et Pays Bas is associated with the Socialist-Radicals and for two years financed many operations for the Government.]

LOCAL SPORT.

SATURDAY'S CRICKET.

ROYAL ENGINEERS SECURE JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP.

There were two League matches on Saturday, one in each division. The Royal Engineers beat the Civil Service "A" team and thereby won the Championship of Division II.

DIVISION I.

C.C.C. v. EAST SURREYS.

The 1st Batt. East Surreys playing on the Craigenower C.C. ground defeated the home team by two runs. Craigenower batting first, scored 143. T. Grimms contributing 35, and E. Fincher and S. Abbas 23 each. The visitors scored 150, their narrow victory being due to the batting of C.Q.M.S. Stripp, who scored 56, and also made the winning hit.

Scores:—

CRAIGENGOWER.	
D. Fritz, c Stripp, b Burgess	5
B. W. Bradbury, c English, b Burgess	17
E. Fincher, not out	32
A. Kitchell, b Burgess	0
T. Grimms, b Burgess	35
R. C. Reed, b Allfree	3
A. B. Hamson, b Burgess	16
S. Abbas, b Moore	22
M. Pinnas, b Allfree	6
E. Moore, b Clark	15
F. Schnepel, not out	3
Extras	1
Total	143

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Burgess	11	1	51	5
English	4	1	8	0
Clark	7	0	23	1
Allfree	7	2	28	2
Chidson	3	0	20	0
Moore	4	1	12	1

1ST EAST SURREYS.

Pte. Burgess, b Abbas	10
C.Q.M.S. Stripp, b Abbas	56
Lieut. Cpl. Clarke, c Reed, b Abbas	23
Capt. Allfree, c Reed, b Bradbury	16
Major Paton, b Abbas	4
Lt. Chidson, c Fincher, b Abbas	5
Pte. Moore, c Hamson, b Fritz	0
Corpl. Clark, b Fritz	12
C.S.M. Wright, b Abbas	0
Pte. English, c Fritz, b Abbas	1
Pte. Wood, not out	0
Extras	15
Total	150

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Fritz	5	0	13	2
Fincher	12	3	42	0
Abbas	18.4	3	66	7
Bradbury	5	1	14	1

DIVISION II.

C.S.C.C. v. R.E.

Playing on the Civil Service C.C. ground against the Civil Service C.C. "A" team, the Royal Engineers ran out victors by 32 runs. The home team batting first, was dismissed for 93 runs. Capt. Bridgland took 3 wickets for 2 runs. The visitors compiled 133 runs, S. S. Higgs being top scorer with 32 runs.

Scores:—

CIVIL SERVICE "A."	
H. F. Harper, b Goodyer	0
R. S. W. Paterson, lb.w., b Jacob	9
F. E. Booker, c Kelly, b Goodyer	9
J. H. B. Nihill, c Mackintosh, b Goodyer	8
B. C. E. Hawkins, b Higgs	16
S. B. Spillitt, b Higgs	9
W. H. Edmonds, b Higgs	9
H. Westlake, run out	13
F. F. Haynes, b Bridgland	5
T. W. Carr, b Bridgland	0
C. Sara, not out	2
Extras	18
Total	93

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Goodyer	11	2	24	3
Jacob	10	3	14	1
Higgs	9	3	16	3
Jones	2	0	16	0
Durand	5	2	8	0
Bridgland	2	1	2	2

ROYAL ENGINEERS.

Serjt. Holland, lb.w., b Sara	23
Lieut. Col. R. K. Paterson, b Spillitt	19
Spr. Goodyer, b Sara	3
Capt. Bridgland, lb.w., b Edmonds	18
Col. Mackintosh, b Edmonds	15
S.S. Higgs, c Car, b Nihill	32
C.Q.M.S. Fero, b Booker	1
S.S. Kelly, b Booker	10
Serjt. Jones, b Edmonds	0
Serjt. Durand, not out	4
C.Q.M.S. Jacob, c Booker, b Edmonds	1
Extras	4
Total	133

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Edmonds	11.2	2	33	5
Sara	10	2	35	2
Westlake	4	0	10	0
Spillitt	2	0	16	1
Booker	2	0	21	1
Nihill	1	0	5	1

FRIENDLY MATCH.

K.O.C. v. ROYAL NAVY.

Playing at home, the Kowloon C.C. 1st XI. defeated the Royal Navy 1st XI. by 75 runs. The home team batted first and compiled 204 runs, to which total E. Macasall contributed 45, and Capt. Bovis 44. The visitors scored 129. Capt. West compiled 49 and Mid. Farquhar 35.

(Continued on next column.)

YACHTING.

RACES FOR THE PRESENTED CUPS.

On Saturday, the three racing classes of the R.H.K.Y.C. yachts sailed for the presented cups, given by the championship winners. The course was from the Club to a mark off the old Customs House at the Fu Tau Chau, back to the Club and then to Cust Rock and back. There was a good breeze.

Five boats entered for the Handicap, and *Rolla* won fairly easily. *Dorothea* was second and *Argylla* third. Four Gaoi boats started, but only three finished. *Perrette* won comfortably. *Geat* was second.

Six Hayward Hays' boats sailed, and a keen race was seen between *Boojum* and *Adanac*. The former won; *Adanac* was a good second, and *Adela* was third.

Details:—

	H'cap.	Finish-	Correct-
	on	ing	ed
	Course.	Time.	Time.
<i>Rolla</i> , 1st	scr.	4.40.44	4.40.44
<i>Dorothea</i> , 2nd	scr.	4.52.03	4.42.15
<i>Argylla</i> , 3rd	scr.	4.52.38	4.42.43
<i>Diana</i> , 4th	scr.	4.47.13	4.48.24
<i>La Lipdu</i> , 5th	scr.	4.49.15	4.43.32
<i>Falcon</i> , 6th	scr.	4.53.04	4.43.43

	H'cap.	Finish-	Correct-
	on	ing	ed
	Course.	Time.	Time.
<i>Pierette</i> , 1st	scr.	4.09.48	4.04.33
<i>Gael</i> , 2nd	scr.	5.16.55	5.12.50
<i>Joan</i> , 3rd	scr.	5.21.51	5.17.45
<i>Thela</i> , 4th	scr.	D.N.E.	

	H'cap.	Finish-	Correct-
	on	ing	ed
	Course.	Time.	Time.
<i>Boojum</i> , 1st	scr.	5.21.32	5.04.33
<i>Adanac</i> , 2nd	scr.	5.23.39	5.04.33
<i>Adela</i> , 3rd	scr.	5.23.43	5.04.33
<i>Blunstone</i> , 4th	scr.	5.23.43	5.04.33
<i>Scalark</i> , 5th	scr.	5.23.27	5.04.33
<i>Lola</i> , 6th	scr.	5.34.48	5.29.44

PING-PONG.

An interesting ping-pong match was played between the European Y.M.C.A. and the Chinese Y.M.C.A. at the former's headquarters on Friday evening, the visitors gaining a runaway victory by 61 games to 3.

The teams were—European Y.M.C.A.:—Petrie, Murphy, Ogilvy, Raiton, L. Weill, M. Weill, Angus and Kiarosa. Chinese Y.M.C.A.:—Pong, Tak Ming, Tao Woon, Kin, Ho Pak Ping, Ko Yau Cheung, Wong Tung Hoi, Cheung Shiu Kue, Fung In Kan and Sui Tin Lim.

ELECTRICIANS CONTESTS.

In the three contests which have so far been fought out between the China Light and Power Company and the Hongkong Electric Company, the former lead with four points to two.

The fourth meeting—a tennis match—between them was to have taken place yesterday afternoon on the Kowloon Cricket Club's courts.

CRAIGENGOWER BOWLING.

The Bowling Green of the Craigenower Cricket Club is to be opened on April 11th.

If possible two teams will take part in the League this season. A representative Club team meet the "Rovers" on the cricket closing day, April 10th, which will be followed by a dinner.

THE LEAGUE.

There were two matches in the Hongkong Cricket League on Saturday, one in the First Division and one in the Second Division. There now remains only one fixture in the top half of the League, namely the match between the East Surreys, who won on Saturday, and the R.A. The Second Division programme has been completed with the match between the R.E.s and the C.S.C.C. "A."

In the First Division, Craigenower only just lost to the soldiers, who, by reason of their win, move above the Chinese B.C. The latter remain at the bottom of the Table.

The First Division match provided a very exciting finish, the home team losing by only two runs. The soldiers required five runs to win in the last over, and with the first ball knocked up four of them.

The Craigenower Club have finished up their programme with nine matches played, three won, one drawn and five lost, securing ten points. Their position in the League will be unaffected whatever is the result of the R.A. match with the Surreys, but the last mentioned team have a chance of equaling the Indian R.C. by winning against the R.A., but will also remain the same position as they are now.

In the Second Division, the "Sappers" secured the Championship by a comfortable win over the C.S.C.C. "A," and have finished their League programme with seven matches played, five won, one drawn and one lost, securing fifteen points, thus leaving the H.K.C.C. 2nd XI, one point behind, the runners-up. The H.K.C.C. are also runners-up in the First Division, four points behind the Champions, the Navy.

The C.S.C.C. "A" have played seven matches, have not secured a single victory, have drawn two, and lost five, only gaining two points, their record reading the same as the Varsity XI.

The positions in the League Table to date are:—

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
Royal Navy	9	6	3	0	21
H.K.C.C.	9	5	2	2	17
Kowloon	9	4	3	2	15
Civil Service	9	4	2	3	13
University	9	4	1	4	13
R.A.	8	3	1	4	10
Craigenower	8	3	1	5	10
Indian R.C.	8	2	3	3	9
East Surreys	8	1	3	4	6
Chinese R.C.	8	1	1	7	4

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.
R.E.	7	5	1	1	16
H.K.C.C. 2nd	7	4	3	0	16
Police	7	3	3	1	12
K.O.C. 2nd	7	3	2	2	11
Navy 2nd	7	2	2	3	8
I.R.C. 2nd	7	3	0	4	9
C.S.C.C. "A"	7	2	2	3	8
Varsity 2nd	7	0	3	4	3

HONGKONG UNIVERSITY.

SUCCESSFUL ATHLETIC MEETING.

SHAHABUDIN'S FIVE RECORDS.

Ideal weather for athletics was experienced, on Saturday, on the University ground at Pokfulam Road when the eleventh annual sports meeting was held.

There was a very large gathering of visitors in addition to students and competitors in the high and long jumps, in consequence, were somewhat "crowded out" at times.

Owing to a late start and one or two vexatious delays during the afternoon, it was long past the appointed hour when Lady Clementi (who was attended by Capt. Steele, A.D.C.) distributed the prizes.

S. O. Shahabudin broke no less than five records during the afternoon and was the chief contributor towards the 48 points gained by Lugard Hall in the hostel championship.

As Victor Ludorum he gained 23 points, his nearest attendant being T. W. Cheong with 17 points.

Shahabudin's five records follow:—100 yards won in 10.25 seconds. 220 yards won in 24.15 seconds. 150 yards hurdles won in 17 seconds. Long Jump: distance, 20ft. 6in. High Jump: 5ft. 7 1/2 in.

In 1923 S. O. Shahabudin jumped 5ft. 4 1/2 in., creating a record. The new record of 5ft. 7 1/2 in., established on Saturday, will probably stand for many years unless Shahabudin is here next year. His present plans are to return to his home in Penang in May. Though no actual figures were available, there is reason to believe that both T. W. Cheong and H. Y. Leong equalled, if they did not, surpass the previous record of 5ft. 4 1/2 in.

INTER-HOSTEL CHAMPIONSHIP.

The following is the result of the inter-hostel championship:—

Lugard Hall	48 points.
Blot Hall	23 "
Morrison Hall	19 "
May Hall	5 "
St. John's Hall	0 "

The officials were:—

President:—Prof. W. F. Faid.

Judges:—Rev. C. T. Waldegrave, Prof. F. A. Redmond, Prof. W. Brown, Lieut. Col. F. S. Montague Bates, Commodore A. J. B. Stirling, and H. B. L. Dowbiggin, Esq.

Referee:—The Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall.

Starter:—R. J. Hunt Esq.

Time-keepers:—Prof. J. L. Shellshear, Prof. M. H. Roffey, and A. H. Fenwick, Esq.

Stewards:—Prof. E. H. Digby, Prof. G. T. Byrne, Lieut. Col. C. H. Lim, Esq., Prof. C. Y. Wang, Prof. R. E. Tottenham, H. Y. Leong, Esq., Dr. S. Y. Wong and C. E. Lee, Esq.

Clerks of the Course:—W. M. Gittins, Esq., I. Day, Esq., F. C. Weller, Esq., A. L. B. Bay, Esq.

Reception Committee:—W. W. Hornell, Esq., Prof. A. C. M. Smith, Miss E. Ho Tung, G. W. Keeton, Esq., Prof. W. J. Hinton, Rev. E. W. L. Martin, Miss E. Thom, G. Hughes, Esq., and Dr. D. K. Samy.

Sub-Committee:—Prof. W. F. Faid (President), Lieut. Col. C. H. Lim, Esq., Prof. F. A. Redmond, A. H. Fenwick, Esq., N. P. Karanjia, Esq., B. H. Wong Esq. (Hon. Secretary).

PRESENTATION OF PRIZES.

At the conclusion of the Sports, Professor W. Faid, President of the Athletic Association, in a short speech, said that ideal weather conditions had enabled them to hold a most successful meeting and doubtless, to some extent, aided S. O. Shahabudin to shatter five previous records. It was pleasing to record that some of these previous records had been established by Shahabudin himself, who was quite entitled to shatter them if he wished to do so.

After thanking the donors of prizes, the speaker commented on the fact that the athletes of Lugard Hall had recovered the Inter-Hotel trophy, wrested from them by Morrison Hall last year.

Prof. Faid said that special thanks were due to Mr. B. H. Wong, the indefatigable honorary secretary to the Engineering Department of the University, for laying out the ground, and to the officials—all of whom had worked untiringly to make the meeting a success.

In welcoming Lady Clementi, at what he believed to be her first appearance at the University sports, Professor Faid trusted that Saturday's visit was merely the beginning of a long sequence of visits in the years to come.

After Lady Clementi had presented the prizes won on Saturday and at the last tennis tournament, she was asked to distribute the medals won by the University representatives in the recent competition at basket ball, known as the "Colony Students League."

After the prizes had been distributed, Mr. W. W. Hornell thanked the spectators for their attendance and trusted that they had enjoyed themselves.

(Continued on next column.)

STUDENTS' SPORTS.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual sports of Queen's College were held on Saturday on the College ground at Causeway Bay. There was a large gathering, including many members of the Old Boys' Association.

In each of the twenty-one events, the competition was very keen, and it was demonstrated that the College has some of the finest athletes in the Colony. Mr. George O'Connor was secretary, and Mr. A. T. Hamilton was the starter.

Mr. J. F. Grose won the Old Boys' race. The senior championship cup and gold medal were won by Li Ping Tong with 13 points. The runner-up was M. Sabhan. The junior championship cup and silver medal were won by Chiu Hoong Yung, and Yung Wai Wa was runner-up.

Mrs. George Grimble, the wife of the President of the Queen's College Old Boys' Association, distributed the prizes at the close of the events. Mr. George Grimble made a short speech, which was received with applause.

PRIZE WINNERS.

The prize winners were as under:—Long Jump, Senior Championship:—1, Tang Ki Cheong; 2, Li Chao Lau; 3, M. Sabhan. 17ft. 6in.

Long Jump, Junior Championship:—1, Chiu Ho Yuen; 2, Yung Wai Wa. 12ft. 4in.

100 Yards, Senior Championship:—1, M. Sabhan; 2, Li Ping Tong; 3, I. Haroon. 10.45secs.

100 Yards, Junior Championship:—1, Tsang Ying Fook; 2, Chiu Hoong Yung; 3, Chiu Wai Nam. 12.15secs.

High Jump, Senior Championship:—1, Tang Ki Cheong; 2, Li Chao Lau; 3, Kung Ping Ho. 4ft. 11in.

High Jump, Junior Championship:—1, Chiu Hoong Yuen; 2, Yung Wai Wa. 4ft. 3in.

120 Yards Hurdles, Senior Championship:—1, Li Ping Tong; 2, M. Sabhan; 3, Tang Ki Cheong. 17.8secs.

120 Yards Hurdles, Junior Championship:—1, Chiu Hoong Yung; 2, Tsang Ying Fook. 19secs.

Pick-a-back Races:—1, Wei Chung and Leung Kit Tong; 2, M. B. Abbas and Haroon Hosen.

Half Mile Handicap:—1, Ko Tai Tim; 2, Leung Man Shum; 3, Li Kai Ying. 2.34.35.

Three-Legged Race:—1, Ho Yat Cho and Chung Kwok Tung; 2, Chan Pui Kan and Fung Kau Kwong.

220 Yards, Senior Championship:—1, Li Ping Tong; 2, M. Sabhan; 3, Li Chao Lau. 23.3secs.

220 Yards, Junior Championship:—1, Yung Wai Wa; 2, Wong Kam Pui; 3, Chiu Hoong Yung. 32secs.

100 Yards, Class 8:—1, Hui Chi Woon; 2, Wei Shing Cho; 3, Wong Kam Pui. 14.15secs.

Sack Race:—1, I. Haroon; 2, Li Shiu Lau; 3, Leung Sik On.

One Mile Race:—1, Li Kai Ying; 2, Tsai Ping Kan; 3, G. M. Butt. 6.52.45.

Potato and Spoon Race:—1, J. F. Grose; 2, S. Haroon.

Invitation Team Race, Open:—1, St. Joseph's College; 2, Yauwai School; 3, St. Paul's College.

Senior Class Team Race:—C2. 100 Yards, Old Boys' Race:—1, T. Hamet. 10.35secs.

Junior Class Team Race:—1, 4A. 100 Yards, Consolation Race:—1, Pang Oi Lam; 2, C. Osman; 3, Pang Yik Chau and Leung Kwong Wa.

Turning to Lady Clementi, Mr. Hornell said that a special vote of thanks was due to her, for so kindly consenting to distribute the prizes. He then called for cheers for Lady Clementi, which were heartily given.

Results follow:—Kicking the Football:—1, A. P. Gutierrez; 2, B. K. Jap. Throwing the Cricket Ball:—1, S. Hachiuma; 2, H. Y. Leong.

100 Yards:—1, S. O. Shahabudin; 2, T. W. Cheong. 10.25secs.

Poly Jump:—1, T. W. Cheong; 2, H. Y. Leong. 9ft. 3in.

220 Yards:—1, S. O. Shahabudin; 2, Wong Tape. 24.15secs.

Half Mile

S.O.A.E.O.



**DEALERS
AND
MANUFACTURERS
of Oxygen and
Acetylene Gas**

**THE FAR EAST OXYGEN AND
ACETYLENE CO., LTD.**

**BEST REPAIRS!
LOWEST PRICES!**

Carbonic Acid Gas, Ammonia, Calcium
of Carbide, Motor Cycle, Acetylene Tanks,
all necessary equipment for Low and High
Pressure Autogenous Welding
Blowpipes, Gauges, Scraping Powder,
Electrodes and all kinds of Metals for
Welding Purposes.

**BOILER REPAIRS
A SPECIALITY.**

Autogenous Welding of all Metals by
Oxy-Acetylene and Electric Processes.

APPLY OFFICE—20, DES VEUZ ROAD CENTRAL—SHEK FLOON

Telephone C. 2344.

For Urgent Repairs—Kowloon 783.

Special Running Service in Our Workshops at Kowloon (To-Kwa-Wan) for
URGENT REPAIRS required during the NIGHT INCLUDING HOLIDAYS

HAMBURG AMERIKA LINIE

COMBINED FREIGHT AND PASSENGER SERVICE

SAILING FOR SHANGHAI AND JAPAN.

T/S "SAARLAND" (due from Europe) on or about 14th April, 1926.

SAILINGS FOR
GENOA, ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG

S/S "OLDENBURG" To Sail on or about 26th April, 1926.

For freight, passage and further particulars please apply to

JEBSEN & CO.,

12, Pedder Street.

Tel. C. 2225.

CANTON: Carlowitz & Co.
MACAO: A. A. de Mello
SWATOW: Basso Bros.
AMOI: C. Martens.
FOOCHOW: Siemens & Krohn.

SHIPBUILDERS,
SHIP REPAIRERS,
BOILER MAKERS,
FORGE MASTERS,
OXY-ACETYLENE AND
ELECTRIC WELDERS,
MECHANICAL AND
ELECTRICAL
ENGINEERS.

**THE TAIKOO DOCKYARD & ENGINEERING COMPANY
OF HONGKONG, LIMITED.**

—DRY DOCKS—

Length 787 Feet.

Length on Blocks 750 Feet.

Depth on Centre of

50 (H.W.S.T.) 24 ft. 6 ins.

—THREE SLIPWAYS—

Capable of Handling Ships Up

8,000 Tons Displacement

Electric Cranes at Sea Wall, Capable of

Lifting 100 Tons at 70 Feet Radius

**BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents,
HONGKONG, CHINA & JAPAN.**

TEL. ADDRESS: "TAIKOODOCK," HONGKONG.

TELEPHONE No. 212.

CALL FLAG: "C" OVER "ANG. PENHANT."

VISITORS TO CANTON.

Should Purchase

A BOOK FOR THE GLOBE TROTTER
FOR HONGKONG TO CANTON
BY THE PEARL RIVER

BY
CAPTAIN C. V. LLOYD
With Illustrations, Maps and Plans

PRICE \$1.75

On Sale at—
Hongkong: "Daily Press" Office,
Messrs. KELLY & WAUGH, Ltd.
Messrs. BARNES & CO.
Canton: Messrs. A. B. WILSON & Co.

**MARTIN'S
PILLS**

APIOL & STEEL

Sure and certain for all Female
complaints. Every lady should
keep a box in the house.

Chemists and Stores sell
them throughout the world.

Prepared by
SARAH, Chemist, Hongkong, England.

THE STRANDING OF THE "SUNNING." INVESTIGATION BY NAVAL COURT OF INQUIRY.

A Naval Court of Enquiry assembled at the British Consulate-General Shanghai on March 23rd to investigate the circumstances surrounding the stranding of the China Navigation Company's str. *Sunning* on March 14th. The *Sunning* had left Shanghai for Amoy and Hongkong on March 14th and stranded on Button Island at 7 p.m. the same day. She was refloated by 8.21 p.m. without outside assistance and returned to Shanghai under her own steam with but minor injuries to the plates and frames, which did not affect the safety of the vessel. The enquiry was called at the request of the ship's master, Capt. George D. S. Mills.

Lieut. Commander B. F. Wingfield of H.M.S. *Woodlark*, acted as President of the Court, the other members being Mr. Allan Archer, O.B.E., H.M. Shipping Vice-Consul at Shanghai; Capt. G. D. Logie, master of the str. *Larchbank*; and Capt. W. P. Baker, master of the str. *Tingsang*. Paymaster-Lieut. Best of H.M.S. *Bee* acted as Clerk of the Court. Mr. R. G. McDonald of Messrs. Teesdale, Newman and McDonald, appeared for Captain Mills; Mr. R. F. C. Master of Messrs. White-Cooper & Co. appeared for Mr. Thatcher, second officer of the *Sunning*, both counsel acting on instructions from the China Coast Officers' Guild. Mr. Lipson Ward watched the case on behalf of the owners.

Capt. Mills, a seaman of 46 years experience, stated that on the evening of March 14th he left the bridge in charge of the second officer, Mr. Thatcher, an experienced officer, since he had been on the bridge for seven hours.

SEVERAL CAUSES FOR ACCIDENT.

In reply to questions from counsel he outlined in detail the circumstances of the stranding, as appear summarized in the finding published below. The second officer, Mr. Thatcher, then told his story of the stranding, in reply to questions from counsel, and the second engineer, Mr. Charles S. Murray, who was on duty at the time corroborated from the log the statement with regard to the stopping of the engines at 7.21 p.m.

After a recess of 10 minutes the Court announced that it would not be necessary to call the Chinese witnesses unless the counsel so desired, and their testimony not being asked for, Capt. Mills was recalled to the witness box and on enquiry stated that there were no instructions as to who should be on the bridge during that part of the voyage and that he had no doubt whatever as to the ability of the Second Officer.

THE FINDING.

Counsel addressed the Court, which afterwards adjourned and later the following finding and order were read: It appears from the evidence given before the Court that the str. *Sunning* sailed from Shanghai on or about 11 a.m. on March 14th, bound for Amoy and Hongkong. At about six o'clock, the Master, Captain George Daniel Stoker Mills, left the bridge in charge of the Second Officer, Mr. Walter Albert Thatcher, giving orders that he was to be called when Button Island was sighted. At about 6.21 p.m. he was told that Button Island was sighted and he came on the bridge for about five minutes, and during these five minutes he altered the course to south 18 East and gave the Second Officer, Mr. Thatcher, orders to let him know when Button Island was three miles off and to inform him if the ship experienced any abnormal set. He also pointed out the land on the starboard bow. During the next next 40 minutes, the second officer, Mr. Thatcher's, attention was principally occupied with watching the movements and bearings of two approaching steamers. He finally fixed the ship's position at about 7 p.m. by Gutland and Bonham Lights, which were almost in a straight line and very unreliable for fixing the ship's position. The land on the starboard hand had faded out of sight and could not be used as a check.

THE GROUNDING.

By this fix, he estimated Button Island to be three miles off, and after laying this position off on the chart, and looking at an approaching ship, he called the Master, Captain Mills. The Master arrived on the bridge almost at once, and noticing that Button Island was very close, he immediately gave the order hard-a-port, but not in time to prevent the ship from grounding, after avoiding about eight points. Engines were then stopped and steps taken to safeguard life. After investigation the ship was established that she could return to Shanghai in safety under her own steam. She left for Shanghai at 8.30 the next morning and arrived there at 6 p.m. March 15th, where the extent of the damage was ascertained to be several plates and frames damaged in the double bottom and No. 2 tank top set up.

The Court having regard to the circumstances above stated finds as follows:

That the accident was due to an error in judgment of speed on the part of the Second Officer, Mr. Thatcher, inasmuch as he estimated the speed of the ship at 12 knots over the ground, whereas in fact it was nearer 14 knots.

That on losing sight of the land on the starboard hand the Second Officer, Mr. Thatcher, failed to notify the Master as he should have done.

That in view of the Second Officer, Mr. Thatcher's, short experience of these waters he should have verified his estimated speed by asking the master, Captain Mills.

That in view of the short experience of the Second Officer, Mr. Thatcher, in these waters and the difficulty of establishing the position by bearing of lights alone, it would have been wiser for

the Master, Captain Mills, to have given a definite time to be called, in addition to the distance, or to have returned to the distance, or to have returned to the bridge at such time as he would expect to be three miles from Button Island. That the Master, Capt. Mills, on arrival on the bridge took all possible steps to avert an accident, and that subsequent to the stranding of the ship, adequate and seamanlike steps and precautions were taken by the Master, Capt. Mills, to ensure the safety of life and property.

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, March 28th.

	Previous Day at 3 p.m.	On Date at 6 a.m.	On Date at 3 p.m.
Barometer	30.24	30.18	30.15
Temperature	59	58	58
Humidity	75	61	93
Wind Direction	E	NE	Calm
" Force	3	0	0
Weather	0	OD	OD
Rain	0.01	0.00	0.58

Highest open-air Temperature on 27th ... 60
Lowest open-air Temperature on 28th ... 55

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

From March 29th to April 4th, 1926.

Day of Week	Days of Month	HIGH WATER.		LOW WATER.	
		H'kong. Standard Time.	Height.	H'kong. Standard Time.	Height.
Mon.	29	9.38	5.2	3.33	1.4
Tues.	30	9.42	6.4	3.32	2.3
Wed.	31	10.15	6.6	4.4	1.6
Thur.	1	10.17	6.8	4.42	1.9
Fri.	2	10.51	6.9	4.44	1.8
Satur.	3	11.45	6.1	4.49	2.3
Sun.	4	11.34	6.5	5.24	1.8
		11.18	6.2	5.25	2.7
		0.31	4.9	5.62	3.0
		11.53	6.3	7.14	1.3
		1.43	4.4	6.20	3.4
		0.48	6.3	8.56	1.9

SINGAPORE DOCK.

PROBLEM DISCUSSED IN SHIPPING PAPER.

The question of whether the floating dock which is to be constructed for the Singapore naval base should be assembled at Singapore, or whether the present Admiralty policy should be changed and the dock towed out complete from Home, is discussed in an authoritative article in the *Shipbuilding and Shipbuilders' Gazette*, a leading shipping paper, as follows:

Considerable interest attaches to the recent announcement that the Admiralty are calling for tenders for a floating dock to be placed at Singapore. This will be welcome news, not only to the unemployed labour in the shipbuilding trade, but to those who have the ultimate welfare of the country at heart. There is no difference of opinion among those who have really studied the subject that it would be quite impossible for this country to carry on a successful naval war in the Far East with fleets based upon arsenals in Great Britain, and we welcome the addition to our naval resources in Eastern waters. That a naval base must be as close as possible to the seat of naval operations was well understood and acted upon in the early days of the Great War. As far as possible, a Portsmouth was created in the north of Scotland. Floating workshops, floating docks, store-ships, all the necessities for the well-being of a fleet, were assembled as close as possible to the anticipated scene of naval activities. The German Admiralty adopted exactly the same course of action on their side of the North Sea.

The installation of this dock at Singapore is undoubtedly a step in the right direction, but we are much surprised to learn that this dock as designed cannot be towed to its destination, but is to be shipped out in pieces and riveted together in Singapore. It is true that it is to be situated some 7,000 miles nearer the scene of a suppositious scene of action in a possible future war; but even so, it may be found to be a very considerable distance from its most useful location, to which as now arranged it could not be towed. There is no difficulty in con-

structing a floating dock that it can be towed anywhere. It may be within the recollection of our readers that a floating dock for the use of the American Navy was towed from the United States to the Philippines, and many other docks have been safely towed across the ocean. Why then, should we not be able to do the same as other nations do? The fundamental conditions of strategy are the same the world over, and we may quite safely state that there is no naval officer who would not welcome a dock as close as possible to the scene of operations. Presumably Australia is one of our possessions to be protected by the fleet based on Singapore. In Australia there is no dock capable of taking a damaged capital ship. This would mean, with this floating dock immovably moored at Singapore, that such a ship would have to make a voyage of something like 3,000 miles before it could its damaged parts attended to. It would certainly have to put into some port to take in the requisite fuel for such a voyage, and at that port should be found the floating dock, which had been towed there at the outbreak of hostilities.

DOCK MUST BE MOBILE.

There appears to be every reason for making the dock mobile, and no reason is apparent to us for adopting the contrary course. The extra cost of making the dock seaworthy would be more than offset by the lower price at which it could be completed in this country, so that the nation would be reaping the benefit of its alteration from a fixed to a much more mobile dock at no cost at all to the taxpayer. There is another aspect of the situation which at the present time would appear to be of considerable importance. The erection, riveting, and completion of the dock in this country would give employment to hundreds of men, whereas in Singapore such labour does not exist in the requisite quantity. Surely the need of our own workmen, who are sadly in want of employment, should be taken into consideration by a great Government department, the primary object of whose existence is the defence of Great Britain, but which nevertheless should be watchful of the wellbeing of the inhabitants of this country as far as lies within its powers.

Synoleo

Paste Distemper

THE COLOURWASH IN 24 ART SHADES

For over 150 YEARS the W. H. & C. name has stood for VARNISHES & PAINTS that are *inexpensive* but *never cheap*

Agents:
S. C. LAY & CO.
Alexandra Building
Telephone Central 763

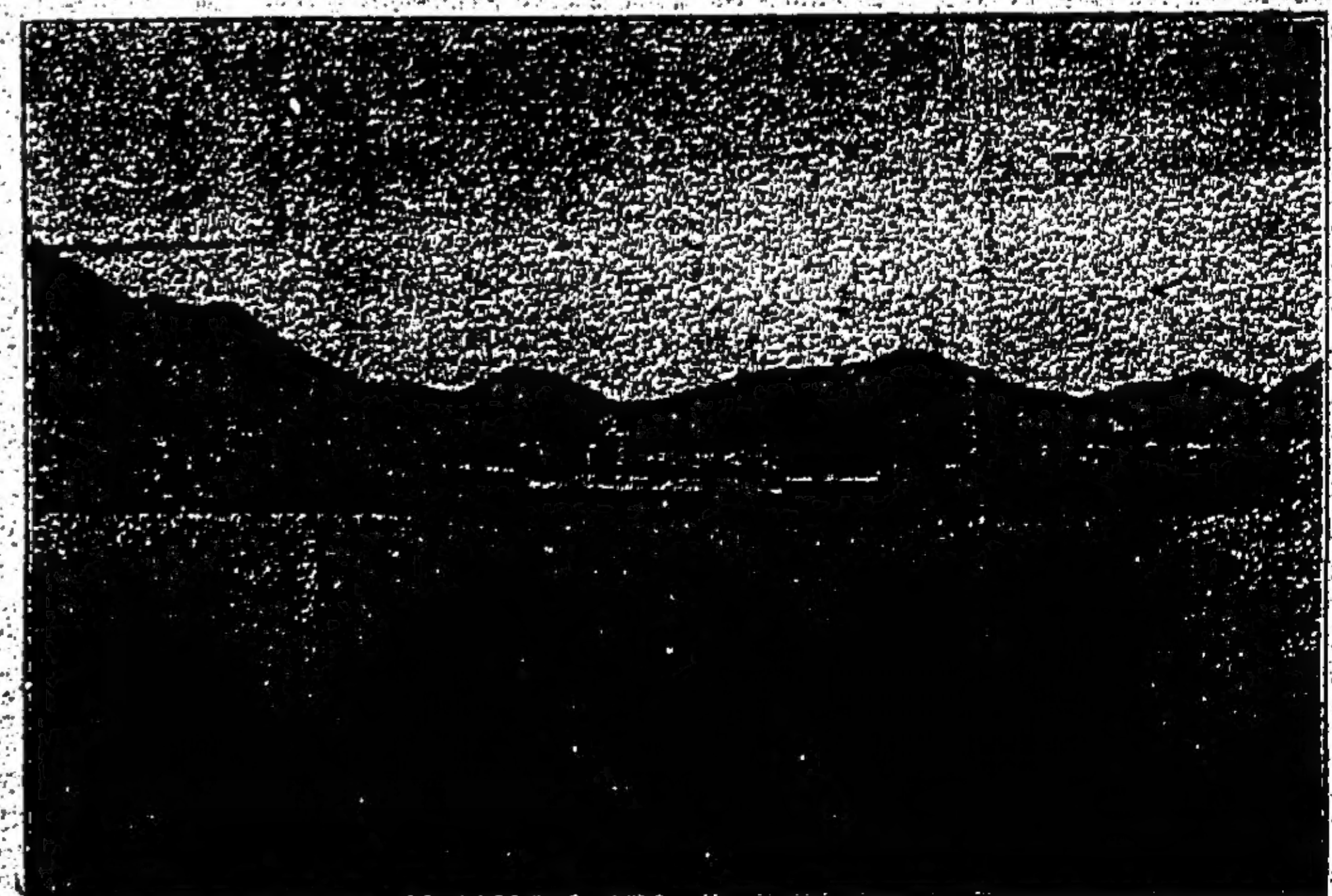
WILKINSON, HEYWOOD & CLARK
SHANGHAI-HONGKONG

THE HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS: "MAKIPETO," HONGKONG.

Codes Used: A1, A.B.O. Fifth Edition; Engineering: First and Second Editions; Western Union and Wireless: Benson's, Marconi.

Dock Owners, Ship Builders, Marine and Land Engineers, Boiler Makers, Iron and Brass Founders, Forge Masters, Electricians.



S.S. "TAIPING."

BUILT AND ENGINEERED AT KOWLOON DOCK BY THE HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD., 70 THE
OWNERS OF THE AUSTRALIAN ORIENTAL LINE, LTD., FOR AUSTRALIAN-HONGKONG SERVICE

Please address enquiries to the Chief Manager.

B. M. DYER, B.Sc., M.I.N.A. KOWLOON DOCK, HONGKONG

SHIPPING NEWS

ARRIVALS.

March 28th.
Goan Maru, Japanese str., 1,059 tons, Capt. K. Oshima, from Wakamatsu and Sakito, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. 850.—M.S.K.
Hatchway, British str., 1,207 tons, Capt. A. H. Stewart, from Amoy, lying at buoy No. 430.—Douglas, Lapraik & Co.
Shidzuka Maru, Japanese str., 3,853 tons, Capt. H. Tsurubashi, from Seattle and Manila, with cargo of sugar, cotton yarn and salt, lying at A4.—N.Y.K.

March 27th.
Hydrangea, British str., 561 tons, Capt. E. Bentley, from Kwang Chow Wan, with general cargo and live stock, lying at Chiu On Wharf.—Chiu On S.S. Co.
Jing Sang, British str., 969 tons, Capt. P. R. Gay Cumming, from Haiphong and Hoihow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 433.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Shanghai, British str., 1,225 tons, Capt. C. Stringer, from Shanghai, with a general cargo, lying at Stonecutters B. & S.

Ninkang, British str., 1,618 tons, Capt. J. R. Shearer, from Shanghai and Amoy, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 85.—B. & S.
Tjikini, Dutch str., 4,598 tons, Capt. J. Adrianse, from Sourabaya and Balikpapan, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 428.—J.C.J.L.
West Hamrod, American str., 6,729 tons, Capt. A. W. Nyman, from Bellingham, Washington and Shanghai. She left Shanghai on March 24th, with a cargo of lumber, lying at buoy No. 427.—Admiral Oriental Line.

West Ivan, American str., 3,468 tons, Capt. C. H. Winnett, from Los Angeles and Shanghai. The latter port she left on March 23rd, with a general cargo, lying at Stonecutters.—Struthers & Barry.
Yutshing, British str., 1,324 tons, Capt. J. S. Masson, from Singapore and Kuching, with general cargo and rice, lying at buoy No. 430.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

March 25th.
Bingo Maru, Japanese str., 3,723 tons, Capt. Y. Ishida, from Nagoya via Osaka, Kobe and Moji, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—O.S.K.
Chang, British str., 2,579 tons, Capt. F. C. Gambrell, from Melbourne and way ports. She left Melbourne on March 1st, with 1,800 tons of general cargo and frozen meats, lying at buoy No. 41.—B. & S.

Hop Sang, British str., 1,353 tons, Capt. P. Jowitt, from Hongkong, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. 431.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Isla de Panny, Spanish str., 2,081 tons, Capt. Pastura, from Shanghai, which port she left on March 25th, lying at buoy No. 428.—Botelho Bros.
Kong Sang, British str., 1,428 tons, Capt. W. F. Richard, from Tsingtau and Shanghai, the latter port she left on March 25th, with a general cargo, lying at West Point Wharf.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

President Madison, American str., 8,341 tons, Capt. Thos. B. Quinn, from Manila, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—A.O.L.
Togooka Maru, Japanese str., 7,097 tons, Capt. S. Kimura, from Japan via Shanghai, the latter port she left on March 25th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—N.Y.K.

CLEARANCES.

March 27th.
City of Rangoon, for Manila.
Hai Hong, for Swatow.
Hin Sang, for Hongkong.
Huan Maru, for Swatow.
Kanchow, for Ningpo.
President Lincoln, for Shanghai.
Shantung, for Shanghai.
Sarat, for Shanghai.
West Ivan, for Manila.

March 28th.
Isla de Panny, for Manila.
Togooka Maru, for Singapore.
Nippon, for Saigon.
West Hamrod, for Manila.

HONGKONG SHIPPING.

The week-end shipping statement showed that the number of vessels in harbour at 9 a.m. on Saturday was 57, of which 27 were British. At the same hours yesterday morning, there were 55 vessels in harbour, of which 23 were British.

During the twenty-four hours ended at 9 a.m. on Saturday ten vessels arrived, viz., three British, two American, one Dutch, one German and three Japanese. The departures over the same period came to eleven; with four clearances. During the twenty-four hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday eleven vessels arrived, viz., six British, two American, one Spanish and two Japanese. The departures during the same period numbered eleven.

CARGO ENTERED.

(During 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday.)
 For Hongkong 10,738 tons.
 For ports beyond 12,942 ..
 Total 23,730 ..
 (During previous 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. on Saturday).
 For Hongkong 9,972 tons.
 For ports beyond 17,447 ..
 Total 27,419 ..

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The R.M.S. *Empress of Russia* arrived at Manila at 9.30 a.m. yesterday, was to leave again at 9 p.m. and is due at Hongkong to-morrow (March 30th).
 The R.M.S. *Empress of Canada*, left Yokohama on Saturday, March 27th, and is due at Vancouver on April 5th.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVALS.

Per Admiral Oriental liner *President Madison*, from Manila, on March 28th: Miss A. Abajar, Miss E. M. Bramburg, Miss E. M. Dain, Mr. D. P. Dunn, Mrs. A. de Evangelista, Mr. S. Evangelista, Mr. R. M. Hamstrom, Father A. Lacerus, Mrs. Lo Fo Hing, Mr. Geo. Lo, Mr. E. Levy, Mr. G. O'Farrell, Mrs. D. O'Farrell, Father B. Pena, Father P. Perez, Mr. Quan Kee Chang, Mrs. L. J. Reyes and four children, Mr. H. A. Smith, Master A. L. Smith, Mr. J. H. Taggart, Dr. M. H. Valose, Mr. Rene Ward, and Mr. Yek Shao Chan.

Per Australian-Oriental Line s.s. *Chongle*, from Melbourne and way ports, on March 28th:—Mr. and Mrs. L. Amidani, Mr. and Mrs. Lea Boardman, Mrs. R. Cooke and two children, Mr. G. Gray, Miss E. D. Holmes, Mr. H. V. Connolly, Mr. D. Mair, Miss B. V. Sanders, Dr. G. Stocher, Mrs. S. Woodward, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Lohman, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Roberts, Miss A. Ryan, Mr. L. Pappie, Capt. John McBride, Mr. F. Townsend, Mr. J. Jamieson, Miss R. A. Bachlor, and Mr. L. Lewis.

DEPARTURES.

Per Dollar liner *President Lincoln*, for San Francisco via ports, on March 27th:—Mr. G. A. Schuack, Mr. and Mrs. Carpenter, Miss Carpenter, Father T. V. Schuack, Mr. P. C. Wilson, Mr. Louis Sing, Mr. Leung Sing, Mr. Lay Kwong Sing, Mr. and Mrs. V. F. C. Maronier, Mr. G. H. Clegg, Mr. J. N. Clegg, Miss M. Jarodi, Miss B. Parodi, Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Clarke, Miss Helen Barck, Mr. E. W. Dwight, Mr. Yue Au Ting, Mrs. E. V. Forrest, Mr. Ericsson, Mr. J. E. Hill, Mr. J. A. T. Thomas, Mr. A. W. Gibson and child, Mrs. K. C. Sheng, Mr. Y. B. Kiang, Miss A. Lee, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Royston, Mr. Chin Hung Hin, Mr. and Mrs. Matheson, Mr. B. M. Mine, Mr. Chan Hung Fu, Mr. J. A. Youniss, Mr. G. C. Jorgo, Mr. R. Crichton, Mr. N. A. Eilers, Miss K. Faba, Mrs. E. A. Fay and child, Mr. E. A. Moon, Mr. M. Wiedemann, Mrs. A. R. Whitmore, Miss P. A. Whitmore, Mrs. M. C. Morgan, Miss E. Chamberlain, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Fowler, Mr. F. L. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. B. Wardman, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Creveling, Mr. C. C. Crist, Mr. L. C. Rhodes, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Piteairn, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. W. Gill, Miss P. Paru, Mr. E. W. Kopke, Mr. Z. Bautista, Mr. G. L. Austin, Mrs. J. Austin, Mr. A. T. Gillespie, Mrs. T. N. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Harrison, Rev. and Mrs. H. Goodie.

SHIPPING NOTES.

At the Marine Court on Saturday, before Lieut. Commander G. F. Holt, R.N., the mistress of a cargo boat pleaded not guilty to a charge of anchoring her boat in the Southern Fairway in such a manner as to cause an obstruction. Police evidence showed that the boat was anchored in the Southern Fairway and was causing an obstruction no launches being able to get alongside the Cheung Chau Wharf.
 Defendant said that after working cargo she moved her junk away from the Praya Wall to a place at the end of the Cheung Chau Wharf to wait for a steam launch to tow her away. She had just got there when the police arrived.
 His Worship fined defendant \$5, or five days' hard labour in default.

At the same Court, the *lot* of a cargo boat was fined \$15, with the alternative of two weeks' hard labour, for failing to exhibit regulation light; while the master and mistress of fishing boats were fined \$7 each, or seven days' hard labour in default, for similar offences.

The s.s. *Hunan*, which with the s.s. *Kweichow* (both China Navigation Co.) recently grounded in the Hainan Straits, is to be broken up, following examination of her damage in dock. The *Hunan* left Hongkong in tow for Shanghai for this purpose on Friday.

The s.s. *Altai Maru*, the Japanese steamer which was recently salvaged after going aground in the Fau Tau Mun Pass, has now left Hongkong in company with the salvage tug, *Altai Maru*, for Japan, after undergoing temporary repairs at Kowloon Dock.

The master of the s.s. *Shidzuka Maru* (Japanese) from Seattle and Manila, reported to the Harbour Office on Saturday that a casualty occurred during the voyage, between Victoria and Yokohama, but the nature of it is not stated in his report.

The total number of deck passengers entered for the twenty-four hours ended at 9 a.m. on Saturday was 1,272, of which the largest entry was 884.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

Empress of Australia (C.P.R.), due April 10th.
Tilava (B.I. & Apear), due to-day.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

The following vessels are in Dock:—Kowloon Dock.—Passet, Tangiatan, Seistan, Siang Wo, Phranang, Haining, Takook Dock.—Kinsan, Talthybius, Chinchua.
 Cosmopolitan Dock.—Ling Nam, Purpura.
 At Kowloon Bay.—Sun On.
 At Plover Cove.—Pong ong, Lok Sun.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN HONGKONG.

FOR MARCH, 1926.

STANDARD TIME OF THE 120TH MERIDIAN, EAST OF GREENWICH.
 Date. Sunrise. Sunset.
 March 29th 6.29 a.m. 6.37 p.m.
 " 30th 6.19 " 6.28 " "
 " 31st 6.18 " 6.28 " "

CANADIAN PACIFIC

EMPRESS EXPRESS

QUICKEST TIME ACROSS THE PACIFIC

17 Days from Hongkong to Vancouver.

LARGEST, FASTEST AND MOST LUXURIOUS STEAMSHIPS

NEXT SAILING TO THE PACIFIC COAST

S.S. "EMPRESS OF RUSSIA" WILL SAIL FOR VICTORIA AND VANCOUVER

via

SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

on Friday, April 2nd, at 1 a.m.

PASSENGERS WILL EMBARK PREVIOUS EVENING

Passenger Department: Tel. C. 752 Cable: GAOANPAO.
 Freight and Express: Tel. C. 42 Cable: NAUTILUS.



SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

SAN FRANCISCO via Shanghai, Japan Ports & Honolulu.

TENYO MARU Saturday, 27th Mar.
 KORIA MARU (omit N'aki and Honolulu) Tuesday, 6th April
 SHINYO MARU Wednesday, 21st April

SOUTH AMERICA via Japan, Honolulu, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Mexico and Panama.

ANTO MARU Wednesday, 14th April
 BOKUYO MARU Saturday, 29th May

SEATTLE & VANCOUVER via Shanghai & Japan ports.

SHIZUOKA MARU Wednesday, 31st Mar., 11 a.m.
 YOKOHAMA MARU Thursday, 15th April

MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP via Singapore & Ports.

FUSHIMI MARU Saturday, 27th Mar.
 HAKOZAKI MARU Saturday, 10th April

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Ports.

AKI MARU Wednesday, 21st April
 MISHIMA MARU Wednesday, 19th May

NEW YORK and/or BOSTON via PANAMA.

LISBON MARU Monday, 5th April
 TSUYAMA MARU Saturday, 24th April

BURNOS AIRES via Singapore, Darban & Cape Town, Delagoa Bay & Algoa Bay.

KANAGAWA MARU Friday, 23rd April
 BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.

TOYOOKA MARU Monday, 29th Mar.
 YAMAGATA MARU Saturday, 10th April

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.

MORIOKA MARU Tuesday, 30th Mar.
 TOTTOBI MARU Thursday, 8th April

NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

MISHIMA MARU Friday, 23rd April
 SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

AKITA MARU Saturday, 27th Mar.
 HARUNA MARU Monday, 5th April
 TOKUSHIMA MARU Friday, 9th April
 WAKASA MARU Saturday, 10th April

For further information, apply to—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
 Telephone Central N. 293 294 & 2423 & KINOSHITA, Manager.



SERVICES CONTRACTUELS

Mail Steamers.	Next Sailings from Marseilles.	Pro. Arr. at Hkgs. and Sailing for S'hai and Japan.	Probable Sailings from Hongkong for Marseilles.
ANDRE LERON	A	—	30th Mar., 1926.
PAUL LECAT	A	—	13th Apr., "
AMBOISE	B	26th Feb., 1926	27th Apr., "
ANGERS	B	13th Mar., "	11th May, "
AMAZONE	B	26th Mar., "	26th May, "
D'ARTAGNAN	A	9th Apr., "	8th June, "
ANGKOR	B	23rd Apr., "	22nd June, "

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY TO MARSEILLES.

(Including Table Wine and Free Doctor's Attendance).
 A Class 1st Class £ 95. 0d. 0d. B Class 1st Class £ 83. 0s. 0d.
 Steamers 2nd £ 63. 0d. 0d. S'hai 2nd £ 60. 0s. 0d.
 Through Tickets to London and Leading Towns of Europe.
 Accommodation reserved in the Trains at Marseilles.

LIGNES COMMERCIALES (Cargo Boats).

s.s. "YANGTSE" from DUNKIRK, LONDON & HAVRE is due to arrive on the 13th April, 1926.
 Sailings subject to alteration without notice.

For full Particulars, apply to—
 MESSAGERIES MARITIMES CO.,
 Telephone: Central 740. 5, Queen's Building, HONGKONG.
 CONSIGNATION—TRANSHIP—REPRESENTATION.

INDO-CHINA

STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATIONS.

TIENSIN	"CHEONGSHING"	Tuesday	30th Mar., at Noon
BANGKOK	"KWONGSANG"	Tuesday	30th Mar., at 3 p.m.
HAIPHONG via HOIHOW	"MINGSANG"	Wednesday	31st Mar., at 10 a.m.
TIENSIN	"WAISHING"	Wednesday	31st Mar., at Noon
TSINGTAU via SHANGHAI	"YATSHING"	Thursday	1st April, at Noon
HAIPHONG	"KOPANG"	Thursday	1st April, at Noon
KOBE via AMOY, SHANGHAI	"KUTSANG"	Friday	2nd April, at 7 a.m.
YOKOHAMA	"KWANGSANG"	Friday	2nd April, at 3 p.m.
BANGKOK	"TOOSANG"	Tuesday	6th April, at 8 p.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	"MAUSANG"	Tuesday	13th April, at Noon
SANDANAY	"NAMSANG"	Tuesday	13th April, at 3 p.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	"YUENSANG"	Friday	16th April, at Noon
KOBE			

For Freight or Passage, apply to—

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,

GENERAL MANAGERS.

Telephone: Central No. 215.

GLEN AND SHIRE

JOINT SERVICE OF STEAMERS.

U.K.—STRAITS, CHINA & JAPAN SERVICE.

OUTWARDS.

Vessel	Due Hongkong.	Discharges	Leave H'kong.
"GLENSEANE"	29th Mar.	1st Apr.	7th Apr.
"GLENAPP"	1st Apr.	1st Apr.	London, Rotterdam & Hamburg.
"CARMARTHENSHEIRE"	17th Apr.	1st Apr.	London, Rotterdam & Hamburg via Oran.
"GLENBEG"	23rd Apr.	1st Apr.	"CARMARTHENSHEIRE" 1st Jan.
"GLEN SANDA"	16th Apr.	1st Apr.	London, Rotterdam & Hamburg via Oran.

Movements are subject to change without notice.

For Freight or further Particulars, please apply to—

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,
THE GLEN LINE, LTD., AGENTS.

Telephone: Central No. 215 sub-ex. 23, and Central 3596.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD BREMEN.

FAR EASTERN PASSENGER

AND

FREIGHT SERVICE.

NEXT SAILINGS:

STEAMERS	ARRIVAL AT HONGKONG AND SAILINGS FOR:	SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG TO:
*ACCOMMODATION FOR 100 CABIN CLAS and 150 INTERMEDIATE CLAS PASSENGERS.	SHANGHAI AND JAPAN.	GENOA, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG, AND BREMEN VIA MANILA, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO AND PORT SAID.
"DERFFLINGER"	—	4th April, 1926.
"TRIER"	—	1st May, "
"SAARBRUCKEN"	24th April, 1926	2nd May, "
"COLENZ"	22nd May, "	27th June, "
"ANHALT"	19th June, "	—
"FULDA"	15th July, "	22nd August, "
"DERFFLINGER"	12th August, "	12th September, "
"TRIER"	11th September, "	16th October, "

* Will call at Marseilles after Genoa.

For Freight and Passage, please apply to—

MELCHERS & CO.,

Telephone C. 4557.
2, Queen's Building, Charter Road.

Agents, HONGKONG.

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN-LIJN.



REGULAR FORTNIGHT SERVICE BETWEEN JAVA, CHINA AND JAPAN.

STEAMERS	FROM	EXPEDIENT ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE ON OR ABOUT	FOR
TJIKINI	S'HAIA & M'KAR	In port	29th Mar.	JAPAN
TJIBODAS	DALNY & AMOY	31st Mar.	2nd April	M'KAR & S'HAIA.
TJIMANOK	JAPAN	2nd April	3rd "	BATAVIA
TJISONDAI	BATAVIA	4th "	8th "	SHANGHAI
TJISAROA	SHANGHAI	5th "	10th "	DEYAVIA
TJILEBOWT	DALNY & AMOY	8th "	10th "	M'KAR & S'HAIA.
TJILIWONG	S'HAIA & M'KAR	16th "	19th "	SHANGHAI & DALNY

Wireless Telegraphy.

The steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have accommodation for a limited number of saloon Passengers. All steamers carry a duly qualified surgeon. Cargo taken at through rates to all ports in Netherlands India and Australia.

For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to the—

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

THE BANK LINE, LTD.

AGENTS FOR THE FOLLOWING SERVICES:
NEW YORK, BOSTON & BALTIMORE
 AMERICAN & MANCHURIAN LINE
 (ELLERMAN & BUCKNALL S.S. CO., LTD.)

S.S. "CITY OF RANGOON" ... via Suez Canal ... From Hongkong 27th March
 S.S. "LANGTON HALL" ... via Suez Canal ... From Hongkong 23rd April

BOSTON & NEW YORK
 AMERICAN & ORIENTAL LINE
 (ANDREW WHEAT & CO., LONDON.)

Sailings from Hongkong
 M.V. "FORRESBANK" ... via Suez Canal ... Second Half April

UNITED KINGDOM & CONTINENT
 "ELLERMAN" LINE
 (ELLERMAN & BUCKNALL S.S. CO., LTD.)

S.S. "CITY OF WELLINGTON" ... From Hongkong ... 13th March
 For HAVRE, LONDON, ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG.
 S.S. "CITY OF VALENCIA" ... From Hongkong ... 22nd April
 For MARSEILLES, HAVRE, LONDON, ROTTERDAM & HAMBURG.

FARES TO LONDON "A" 1st Class £38. 2nd Class £30.
 "B" 1st Class £30. 2nd Class £25.

MAURITIUS & SOUTH AFRICA
 ORIENTAL-AFRICAN LINE

S.S. "BURAT" ... From Hongkong Middle of April
 Loading for Mauritius, Delagoa Bay, Durban, East London, Algoa Bay, Port Elizabeth, Mossel Bay and Capetown.
 Through Bills of Lading issued to Beira, Quilimane, Ibo, Port Amelia, Mozambique, Inhambane, Zambesi, Mombasa, Kilindini, Port Nolloth, Lourenco Bay, Walvis Bay, and Madagascar.

AUSTRAL-FAST INDIES LINE
 (ELLERMAN & BUCKNALL S.S. CO., LTD.)

Sailings from Singapore on 6th of every month by "CITY OF PALERMO" or "MALATIAN" to Java, Fremantle, Adelaide, Melbourne and Sydney, and Vice Versa.
 Through Freight and Passenger bookings from Hongkong in conjunction with "Ellerman" Line or other services.

For Freight or Passage on any of the above Lines, Apply to—

THE BANK LINE LTD.

Tel. Cent. 4791

PRINCE LINE

IMPROVED SERVICE
 BY

FAST MOTOR VESSELS

TO

**BOSTON
 NEW YORK
 PHILADELPHIA**

S.S. "GOTHIC PRINCE" ... Leave Hongkong 16th April
 M.V. "MALAYAN PRINCE" ... 18th May
 M.V. "JAVANESE PRINCE" ... 11th June
 M.V. "ASIATIC PRINCE" ... 3rd July

For Freight and Full Particulars, apply to—

FURNESS (FAR EAST), LIMITED.

Telephone: Central 3185.

(Incorporated in Great Britain)

Telegrams: Furprince.

King's Building.

**P. & O. British India
Apar and
Eastern & Australian
Lines**

(COMPANIES Incorporated in ENGLAND).
**MAIL AND PASSENGER STEAMERS
 TAKING CARGO FOR**

STRAITS, JAVA, BURMA, CEYLON, INDIA, PERSIAN GULF, WEST INDIES
 MAURITIUS, EAST & SOUTH AFRICA, AUSTRALASIA, INCLUDING
 NEW ZEALAND & QUEENSLAND PORTS, RED SEA, EGYPT,
 CONSTANTINOPLE, GREECE, LEBANTINE PORTS,
 EUROPE, ETC.

**PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL FORTNIGHTLY
 DIRECT ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS.**
 (Under Contract with H.M. Government.)

Steamship.	Tons.	From Hongkong (about)	Destination.
"MOREA"	10,918	3rd Apr. Noon	Marseilles and London.
"JEYPORE"	5,315	7th Apr.	Singapore, Penang & Bombay.
"DELTA"	5,232	11th April	Singapore, Penang, Colombo & Bombay.
"DEVANHA"	8,097	15th Apr.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"KALYAN"	8,155	17th Apr.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"MACEDONIA"	9,144	20th Apr.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"KASHGAR"	11,039	1st May	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"MALWA"	9,005	15th May	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"KEYBER"	9,041	28th May	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"MANTUA"	9,114	12th June	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"KARMALA"	10,992	28th June	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"RANPURA"	9,153	10th July	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"DELTA"	18,595	24th July	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"MACEDONIA"	8,097	7th Aug.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"KALYAN"	11,039	21st Aug.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"MALWA"	9,144	4th Sept.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"KASHGAR"	10,941	18th Sept.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.
"MOREA"	9,005	2nd Oct.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp.

Frequent connections from Port Said for Passengers and Cargo to Constantinople, Piræus, Smyrna, and other Levant Ports by steamers of the Khedivial Mail Steamship Co.

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS

"TAKADA"	6,949	4th April	Singapore, Penang and Calcutta.
"TILAWA"	10,000	24th April	do.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

"ARAFURA"	8,000	7th Apr.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, and Melbourne.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	8th May	do.
"TANDA"	8,958	2nd June	do.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	7th July	do.

The E. & A.S.S. Co., Ltd., steamers will also call at Shanghai, Hilo, Cebu, Kolambungan, Tawao, Timor, Durwin, or other ports en route as inducement offers.

Frequent connections from Australia with the following:—
 The Union S.E. Co.'s Steamers to the United Kingdom via New Zealand, Vancouver, San Francisco, etc.
 The P. & O. Royal Mail Steamers to London via Suez Canal.
 The P. & O. Branch Service of Steamers to London via the Cape.
 The New Zealand Shipping Co.'s Steamers for Southampton and London via Panama Canal.

SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI AND JAPAN

"TILAWA"	10,000	30th Mar. 6 a.m.	Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe and Yokohama.
"MACEDONIA"	11,039	2nd Apr.	Moji, Kobe and Yokohama.
"SANTHA"	7,754	6th Apr.	Shanghai and Kobe.
"TAKADA"	7,643	10th Apr.	do.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	10th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	18th Apr.	do.
"PALMA"	10,000	20th Apr.	Kobe.
"KEYBER"	9,114	30th Apr.	Moji, Kobe and Yokohama.
"TANDA"	8,958	8th May	Shanghai.
"MALWA"	10,941	14th May	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"MANTUA"	10,903	28th May	Shanghai and Kobe.
"PADU"	5,907	30th May	do.
"KARMALA"	9,089	11th June	Moji, Kobe and Yokohama.
"DELTA"	8,097	11th June	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
"ARAFURA"	8,000	19th June	Shanghai only.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	24th June	Shanghai Moji & Kobe.
"RANPURA"	10,585	9th July	do.
"MACEDONIA"	11,039	22nd July	do.
"KALYAN"	9,144	5th Aug.	do.
"MALWA"	10,941	18th Aug.	do.
"KASHGAR"	9,005	2nd Sept.	do.
"MOREA"	10,918	16th Sept.	do.

All dates are approximate and subject to alteration without notice.
WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY FITTED ON ALL STEAMERS.
 Passengers for Rangoon must defray their own Hotel expenses at Singapore while awaiting the on carrying steamer.
 All Cabins are fitted with Electric Fans free of charge.
 Steamer on London and Australian Lines are fitted with Landladies.
 Parcels measuring not more than 2 ft. x 4 ft. x 1 ft. will be received at the Company's Office up to Noon on the day previous to sailing.
 For Further Information, Passage Fares, Freight, Handbooks, etc., apply to—

MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & CO.

P. & O. Building, Connaught Road Central, HONGKONG. Agents.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.

HONGKONG AND SOUTH CHINA COAST PORT SERVICE.

REGULAR SERVICE of Fast, High Class Coast Steamers having good accommodation for First Class Passengers, Electric Light and Fans in Staterooms, Saloons and Excellent cuisine.

FOR

SWATOW AMOY & FOCHOW

AND RETURN

(Occupying 10 Days)

HAIRYANG ... Capt. W. O. ... Thursday, 1st April, 1 p.m.

Arrivals and Departures from the Company's Wharf (near Blake Pier)

Round Trip Tickets will be issued from Hongkong to Fochow (Fochow Anchorage) and Return by the same Steamer by the "HAIRYANG," "HAIRYANG" and "HAIRYANG" at the Reduced Rate of \$50.00 including Meals while the Steamer is in Port.

For Freight and Passage apply to—

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.

General Managers.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LIMITED.

MANTILA	"YUNNAN"	On 29th Mar.	8 p.m.
SAIGON	"KWANGSE"	On 30th Mar.	8 a.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	"SINKIANG"	On 30th Mar.	9 a.m.
AMOI, SINGAPORE & BANGKOK	"KWANGSOW"	On 30th Mar.	8 a.m.
SHANGHAI	"SOOCHOW"	On 31st Mar.	4 p.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"SINKIANG"	On 1st April	4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	"SINKIANG"	On 3rd April	4 p.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	"SINKIANG"	On 5th April	6 a.m.
WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	"HUICHOW"	On 6th April	4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	"LINAN"	On 7th April	4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage apply to—

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Telephone: CENTRAL 33.

Agents.

CARGO AND PASSAGE CAN BE INSURED AT THE OFFICE OF BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

AUSTRALIAN-ORIENTAL LINE, LTD.

"CHANGTE" & "TAIPING"

THREE NEW VESSELS MAINTAIN A REGULAR SERVICE FROM
HONGKONG TO AUSTRALIAN PORTS
 VIA MANTILA, ZAMBOANGA, PORT BANGA, THURSDAY ISLAND AND AUSTRALIAN PORTS.
 Through Bills of Lading issued to all Australian, New Zealand and Tasmanian Ports.
 Exchange & Most Up-to-date First & Second Class Passenger Accommodation.
HONGKONG TO SYDNEY—19 DAYS.

STEAMER	Due Hongkong on or about	Sailing hence on or about
CHANGTE	27th March	23rd April
TAIPING	19th May	25th May
CHANGTE	16th June	22nd June
TAIPING	17th July	23rd July

For Freight and Passage Apply to—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Telephone: CENTRAL 36.

Agents.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.**NEW YORK BERTH.**

LOADING FOR BOSTON AND NEW YORK VIA SUEZ.
 S.S. "WREY CASTLE" ... Sailing on or about 19th April

LLOYD TRIestino.

REGULAR MONTHLY PASSENGER AND FREIGHT SERVICE FOR
 BRINDISI, VENICE AND TRIESTE (PIUMI).
 TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING TO
 GENOA, ALL ITALIAN, ADRIATIC, LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND
 DANUBE PORTS.

REDUCED PASSAGE RATES TO BRINDISI, VENICE OR TRIESTE

"A" CLASS
 £72. 10s. 0d.

"B" CLASS
 £66. 0s. 0d.

NEXT SAILINGS.

OUTWARDS FOR SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI

S.S. "FIUME-LI"	Sails 7th April
M.V. "VIMINALE"	Sails 5th May

HOMEWARDS FOR BRINDISI, VENICE AND TRIESTE

S.S. "VENEZIA"	Sails 29th Mar.
S.S. "ROSANDRA"	Sails 12th April
S.S. "FIUME-LI"	Sails 3rd May
M.V. "VIMINALE"	Sails 31st May

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS

FROM CALCUTTA AND COLOMBO TO SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

S.S. "UMZUMBI"	Sails from Calcutta, 31st March
S.S. "DUMINGA"	Sails from Colombo, 12th April
	Sails from Calcutta, 30th June
	Sails from Colombo, 13th July

Regular Passenger and Cargo Service to South African Ports,
 Through Bills of Lading issued from Hongkong.

For Freight or Passage on any of the above Lines, apply to—

DODWELL & CO. LIMITED.

Telephone: Central 1030.

Agents.

17

**KONINKLYKE PAKETVAART
MAATSCHAPPY.**

(ROYAL PACKET NAVIGATION CO. OF BATAVIA)

THE STEAMSHIP

"VAN OVERSTRATEN"

Due to sail to SINGAPORE, BELAWAN, DELI and
 PENANG, on the 1st April at Noon, 1926

Offers excellent Saloon accommodation.

All lower berths.

Doctor carried.

English cuisine.

Wireless telegraph.

1st Class Fare to Singapore—\$100.

In connection with the Royal Packet Nav. Co.'s (K.P.M.) Service
 to all destinations in the Netherlands East Indies and Australia.

Agents—

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN-LIJN

Telephone 1574

Yokohama, Canton Road.

BOSTON NEW YORK & BALTIMORE

Joint Service of the

BLUE FUNNEL LINE

OCEAN S.S. CO., LTD. and CHINA MUTUAL S.S. CO., LTD.

AND

AMERICAN & MANCHURIAN LINE

(ELLERMAN & BUCKNALL S.S. CO., LTD.)

Sailings from Hongkong.

S.S. "JASON"	via Suez Canal	19th Mar.
S.S. "CITY OF RANGOON"	via Suez Canal	27th Mar.
S.S. "CALOCHAS"	via Suez Canal	29th Apr.
S.S. "LANGTON HALL"	via Suez Canal	23rd Apr.

Steamers proceed via Suez Canal or Panama Canal at Owners' option.
 Subject to change without notice.

For Freight and Particulars, apply to—

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

HONGKONG AND CANTON. **JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., CANTON.**

